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Section 1: Project Requirements

Project Overview

1. Introduction

1.1. Organization

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is composed of two (2) volumes. Volume 1 includes this "Project Overview," a "Statement of Work," "Contract Administration" requirements (Part 1), regulatory contract clauses (Part 2), and technical references/exhibits (Part 3). Volume 2 provides regulatory provisions for submission and evaluation/award, detailed instructions for proposal submissions, a description of the method for evaluation/award, and GSA/Standard Forms required as part of the Offeror's proposal.

1.2. Involved Parties

This RFP is issued by the Public Buildings Service of the United States General Services Administration (GSA), Region 6 The Heartland Region, Kansas City, MO, hereinafter referred to as the "Government", to obtain the services of a Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc) (also referred to as Offeror or Contractor) who shall be singularly responsible to satisfy the terms of the resulting contract. See Section 3 - Contract Administration of this Volume for roles and responsibilities of involved parties. The contract is for CMc services in design and construction of the Phase IV Repair and Alteration of the Richard Bolling Federal Building in Kansas City, Missouri.

1.3. Services to be Provided

The CMc will provide professional, technical, administrative and clerical personnel as needed to perform all required services including, but not limited to, those described in this Request for Proposals. The services described or specified shall not be deemed to constitute a comprehensive specification having the effect of excluding services not specifically mentioned.

1.4. Schedules

All references to time periods in this RFP shall be considered calendar days/weeks unless otherwise specified.

1.5. Contract Scope

Under the base contract, and all options, if exercised by the Government, the Contractor shall, in addition to acting as Construction Manager during the design period, provide all services necessary for the repair and alteration of the existing Richard Bolling Federal Building in Kansas City, Missouri for the General Services Administration in conformance with the requirements of this RFP. The RFP also requires the Contractor to provide related management and inspection services, warranties and guarantees. Upon completion, acceptance, and occupancy of the space by GSA and its tenant agencies, GSA will become responsible for providing services, supplies, utilities, and maintenance of the premises, including capital expenditures and reserves, not covered under the required warranties and guarantees.

2. Site Location

The Richard Bolling Federal Building was constructed in 1965 on a two-block site in the Kansas City downtown central business district. Alternating bronze colored aluminum panels and single glazed windows or glass spandrel panels constitute the main north and south elevations. The east and west elevations of the building are primarily clad with granite panels. The steel structure provides a gross area of 1,205,582 square feet and a usable area of 758,560 square feet without parking, or 787,326 square feet with structured parking at the basement level. A total of approximately 2,500 persons presently work and office in the federal building.

This is the fourth and final phase of this building renovation project. The four phases are each summarized as follows:

Phase I: Complete renovation of Floors 15, 16 and 18 and Floor 18 building mechanical, partial

Floor 1 renovation, and roof replacement.

Phase II: Complete renovation of Floors 11 through 14.

Phase III: Modernization of portions of sub-basement mechanical system, partial renovation of

Ground Floor, new Ground Floor South Entrance Lobby and associated site work, complete renovation of Floors 4 through 10 including replacing windows for blast, and caulking of all exterior joints in the tower curtain wall from Floor 18 down to Ground Floor.

Phase IV: Complete the renovation of Floors 1, 2, 3, 17, Ground Floor, Basement Floor, and Sub-

Basement Floor. Complete the window replacement, complete the exterior caulking at the Annex, replacement of Annex roof, new perimeter site work, and new exterior building

lighting.

Major work items included in Phase IV are as follows:

Abatement of remaining hazardous materials (asbestos, lead paint).

Modernization of remaining interior spaces, including both shell and tenant improvements.

Upgrades to remaining mechanical systems, including:

New air distributions systems (including controls)

Plumbing upgrades and replacement.

New fire protection sprinkler system.

Upgrades to remaining electrical systems, including:

New panel boards and horizontal electrical distribution.

Exterior lighting.

Modifications to fire alarm systems.

- Upgrades to provide access to those with disabilities.
- Removal of existing and installation of new window units.
- Removal of existing and installation of new sealant at curtain wall spandrel panels and window units at annex.
- Site and landscape improvements.
- Roof replacement at annex

It is anticipated that multiple proposal packages will be developed (i.e., site improvements, building shell, tenant improvement work for each tenant agency, etc.). Project design and construction will meet, as a minimum, the Leadership in Energy Efficient Design (LEED) Silver Standard, as defined by the United States Green Buildings Council.

2.1. Site Access.

The site is accessible for visual inspection by interested parties by appointment. All site related questions shall be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer.

2.2. Site Inspection and Testing.

Any inspection of the property, other than visual, or any tests conducted on the property shall be subject to prior approval by the GSA and the current landowners. GSA shall have the right to have a representative present at any such inspection or when any such test is conducted.

2.3. Program Requirements

Technical requirements are presented in Volume 1, Part 3 of this RFP. Criteria/directions within these references shall be considered when developing project proposals and shall govern the design development.

2.4. Price Range

The estimated range for construction cost is \$70,000,000 - \$80,000,000, which does not include the fees for Construction Management Services as defined in this RFP. Proposal price elements, definitions, representations(s) and price ranking are addressed in Volume 2.

2.5. Anticipated Award Period

The Government anticipates award of this contract by Summer 2008. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin within 24 months of award. The Government does not guarantee award within this period nor shall the Government be liable for any costs should award occur before or after this period. The project will be designed by Helix Architecture & Design, Kansas City, MO, who is under contract to GSA. The project's design scope of work is reflected within the A-E scope of work.

2.6. Completion or Occupancy Date

The entire facility must be substantially complete within 1461 calendar days from the notice to proceed of the Construction Phase Option. The Contractor shall identify a guaranteed delivery date within this time frame. The guaranteed delivery date must include a 30-day period for complete inspection and testing of all systems and improvements which are to be paid for and conducted by the CMc, including the correction of documented punch list items, and schedule contingencies. The completion of all documented punch list items shall be completed within 90 days of substantial completion. The Contractor guaranteed delivery date will be incorporated into the contract at time of construction option award, and will include liquidated damages (consisting of costs Government expects to incur due to delay, i.e., extended lease costs, inspection costs, lost rental income from the new courthouse, etc.).

2.6.1 Beneficial Occupancy.

For the purpose of this Request for Proposals, the term "beneficial occupancy" means that the Government recognizes the project is complete and ready for occupancy despite minor details remaining incomplete; e.g., punch list items that do not impact occupancy or the ability of the occupying agencies (in whole or in part) to perform their missions.

2.6.2 Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The Contractor shall provide the Government with a Certificate of Substantial Completion (AIA Document G704) for the improvements from the Project Architect and a written statement that the improvements are ready for beneficial occupancy. Within ten (10) business days after receipt of these two documents, the Government shall either issue a written declaration of beneficial occupancy or specifically state those unfinished items impacting occupancy that are required to be completed. The Government's declaration of beneficial occupancy will not be unreasonably withheld. The Contractor will be expected, however, to complete the remaining punch list items within a reasonable period of time, to be specified at such time as beneficial occupancy is declared.

2.7. Roles and Responsibilities

2.7.1 Contractor Responsibilities

The Contractor is required to provide:

- Site Development per 100% Design Drawings and Specifications to be issued by the Government.
- Completed construction of building(s) and site features.
- Design and Construction Supervision and Contract Management.
- Cooperation with and accommodation of Government specialty contractors responsible for the installation of telephone/data, security and audio-visual systems.
- Spare Parts, Materials and Equipment.
- Quality Control Plan and Safety Plan.
- Inspections and Tests.
- Control of the Site (See Government responsibilities).
- Reproduce and distribute Construction Documents for use of Subcontractors.
- Complete and accurate Record Drawings.
- Manuals containing Design calculations, Operation and Maintenance information, Shop drawings, etc.

- Training for Facilities Management staff and occupants.
- Electronic project management license and training if different from Constructware.

2.7.2 Government Responsibilities

The Government will provide:

- All A-E Design Process Drawings
- 35%, 65% and 95% Construction Drawings and Specifications to CMc on CD (compact disc).
- Building 100% Construction Document Phase Drawings and Specifications to CMc on CD and five printed copies.
- A building site.
- Geotechnical and Soils information known at time of construction
- Topographical and utilities surveys of proposed site known at time of construction.
- Review and comment of design submittals, including the Quality Control Plan.
- Inspection and Test Witness to verify attainment of performance requirements.
- Maintenance, Services, and Utilities after occupancy.

2.8 Procurement Approach

The Advisory Source Selection procedures under FAR 15 will be employed as the method of selection of the successful Offeror.

This source selection procurement bases award on "best value trade off process" evaluation criteria. See *Volume 2* for information on selection procedures, technical evaluation factors, price evaluation, and basis of award. Proposal submission requirements are also contained in *Volume 2*.

Section 2 - Statement of Work

1. General Requirements

1.1 General Responsibilities

The CMc shall perform all the services required under this contract as detailed in the enclosed scope of work, as well as any modifications to the base contract. The CMc is responsible for providing the management, quality control, and administrative tasks needed to perform the services in an expeditious and economical manner consistent with the best interests of the Government. The CMc shall assist the Government to achieve its goals with respect to the project's schedule, budget, scope and quality. These goals are:

- That the scope of the project will be well defined during the Construction Documents phase.
- That the project will be satisfactorily designed by the Architect-Engineer (A-E).
- That the construction work will be performed in conformity with applicable requirements.
- That the project be completed within the Estimated Construction Cost (ECC) and budget limitations.
- That the building quality will be highest possible within the budget limitations.
- That the construction will be completed as early as possible, but not later than the scheduled construction contract completion date.

1.2 Definitions

Architect Engineer (A-E). The A-E is the professional services contractor responsible to the Government for design of the project.

Construction Documents (CD). The construction documents are prepared to explain and describe in detail the design to potential construction contractors, for the initial purpose of bidding, and for the ultimate purpose of construction. The working drawings provide the construction details. The specifications provide the performance requirements of the materials.

Project Executive/ Senior Project Manager (PEX). The PEX is the principal CMc employee responsible for overall management, direction and accomplishment of CMc activities on this project. The PEX may work full or part time on this project.

Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc). The CMc is the Contractor selected to assist the GSA Project Manager (PM) and the Contracting Officer (CO) in managing this design and construction project with an emphasis on meeting goals relating to schedule, budget, scope, and quality. The CMc provides management, technical, administrative, and quality control services to assist in achieving these goals, and provides construction of the project.

Contracting Officer (CO). See FAR 52.202-1

activities.

Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). See FAR 52.202-1

General Condition Items. This term refers to the provision of facilities or performance of work that is indirectly related to construction. Such services may include, but are not limited to signs; safety barricades; cleaning; preparation for ceremonies, including associated minor construction activity; temporary toilets; fencing; cleaning; temporary water, heat and electricity; permanent utility connections; installation of Government furnished items; general maintenance; and refuse disposal.

Construction Manager as Agent (CMa). The CMa is the Contractor selected to assist the GSA Project Manager (PM) and the Contracting Officer (CO) in managing this design and construction project with an emphasis on tracking and control of submittals/shop drawings, requests for information, as well as management of construction modifications (i.e., estimating and negotiation) and schedule review, independent of the CMc.

Inspector(s): Inspectors are responsible for performing field inspection work during construction; recommending approval/rejection of the construction contractor's materials, workmanship, and equipment; monitoring labor and safety provisions; maintaining inspection logs and records including lists of defects and omissions; and other related

Project Manager (PM). The designated GSA representative who has responsibility to plan and coordinate all primary and support activities to ensure all goals and objectives are met, with emphasis on project schedule and budget. In general the PM's role will not be directly involved with day-to-day administrative or technical issues, but will fill a role that is much broader in nature. The PM is a person that views the project on a long-term basis, and assumes a perspective that is management oriented. The PM will be involved from start to finish, will be responsible for adherence to schedule, and will be responsible for coordination with the tenant agencies.

Partnering. The Government is interested in the foundation of a cohesive partnership with all involved customer agencies, contractors, and GSA representatives. This partnership will be structured to draw on the strengths of each organization to identify and achieve goals. The objectives are effective and efficient contract performance, intended to achieve completion of the project within budget, on schedule, and in accordance with the project requirements. This partnership will be coordinated through the CMc with membership and participation being totally voluntary. Any cost associated with affecting this partnership will be agreed to by involved parties with each party responsible for paying its own respective costs. This partnership shall function independently of the contract and shall not alter the terms and conditions of the contract. To implement this partnership initiative, it is anticipated that within 60 days of a Contractor's Notice to Proceed, the CMc shall arrange for the Contractor's key personnel, the Government's representatives (GSA and tenant), and the A-E to attend a partnering/team-building workshop. Follow-up workshops will be held periodically throughout the duration of the contract as agreed to by all parties.

Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR). The Government requires the CMc and all subcontractors to participate in resolving differences of/or disputes, if any, through the use of Alternate Dispute Resolution practices. Procedures that may be applied include negotiation, facilitation, mediation, fact-finding mini-trial, arbitration, or any combination thereof. ADR practices are to be integrated into partnership efforts, addressed above.

Construction Superintendent (CS). The CS is the CMc employee designated as the key, on-site representative of the CMc responsible for ensuring delivery of day-to-day quality management services to be provided by the CMc under this contract.

Testing Engineer/Technician (TET). The TET is an employee of the CMc or a subcontracted laboratory responsible for performing specified testing services. The TET must be approved by the GSA.

Project Engineer (PE). The Project Engineer is the person residing on the construction site that is the main technical contact with construction personnel. Duties of the PE would include coordination of the submittals, maintenance of the logs, coordination and review of the schedules, etc.

2. Pre-Construction Services

2.1. General CMc Responsibilities

The CMc assists the Government during the design phase by reviewing and evaluating the design and construction documentation. The CMc is required to work with the A-E and the Government in a cooperative team effort to develop a quality design. Many design problems and issues can be resolved directly between the A-E and the CMc. The CMc is to notify the COR/PM of all issues brought to the attention of the A-E and the A-E's response to each. The CMc notifies the COR/PM if submissions appear inadequate. Most importantly, the CMc makes the COR/PM aware of any issues that have the potential to jeopardize the project's goals relating to schedule, cost, quality or scope. The CMc's principal tasks during the design phase are as follows:

- 1. Reviewing designs
- 2. Preparing cost estimates
- 3. Controlling schedules
- 4. Keeping records
- 5. Reporting on progress
- 6. Resolving problems
- 7. Conducting VE exercises (a two (2) day workshop during Schematic Design/Concepts, and a two (2) day workshop during Design Development, refer to the Value Engineering Program Guide for Design and Construction, PBS-PQ251, in Volume 3, Technical References).
- 8. Performing administrative and other services as defined in this scope of work.
- 9. Commissioning for the building systems.

2.2 Design Services

The project will be designed by Lead Architect <u>Helix Architecture & Design, Kansas City, Missouri</u>, who is under contract to GSA. The project's design scope of work is reflected within the A-E scope of work.

2.3 Coordination

Design development through the construction phase of the Project shall be a cooperative effort among the Government, A-E, CMc, CMa and other persons employed by the Government for the Project.

2.4 Consultation

The CMc shall attend regular scheduled meetings with the Government and A-E (including A-E's regularly scheduled in-house design meetings with their consultants). The CMc shall consult with the Government and A-E regarding site use and improvements, and the selection of materials, building systems and equipment. The CMc shall provide recommendations on construction feasibility, actions designed to minimize adverse effects of labor or material shortages, time requirements for procurement, installation and construction completion; and factors related to construction cost including estimates of alternative designs or materials, preliminary budgets, and possible economies. The CMc shall provide recommendations for the use of fast tracking, early ordering of materials, and any other procedures that will maximize the use of available funds for the project.

2.5 Preliminary Evaluation

The CMc shall provide a preliminary evaluation of the A-E's design submittals and project budget requirements, each in terms of the other.

2.6 Preliminary Project Schedule

The CMc shall prepare and periodically update, a project schedule for the A-E's review and GSA's approval. The CMc shall obtain the A-E's approval of the portion of the schedule relating to the performance of the A-E's services. The CMc shall coordinate and integrate the schedule with the services and activities of the Government, A-E, CMc, and other designated government representatives. As design is completed, the schedule shall be updated to indicate proposed activity sequences and durations, milestone dates for receipt and approval of pertinent information, etc. If the schedule updates indicate that previously approved schedules may not be met, the CMc shall give immediate notice or make immediate and appropriate recommendations to the Government and A-E. The CMc shall make recommendations to the government and the A-E concerning possible use of "fast tracking" or multiple construction document packages.

2.7 Partnering

At the commencement of this contract, the CMc shall attend a partnering session with the Government, A-E, and other involved parties to foster a sense of harmony and cooperation among all persons participating in the Project.

2.8 Design Review.

The CMc will review all submittals with in-house staff and will coordinate all design review comments from the government, client agencies, and the CM for the Government. In addition to the formal presentations/submissions listed below, informal design progress meetings will be held every two (2) weeks throughout the anticipated 24-month design duration. CMc representation at these informal design progress meetings shall generally consist of the CMc's Project Manager, although other CMc design review and estimating personnel will be needed on an occasional basis. These informal design progress meetings shall be held in Kansas City, Missouri.

2.8.1 Submissions.

The CMc is expected to conduct reviews appropriate to the level of design development. The CMc will assist the Government with design reviews on the following A-E submissions:

Site Clean-up/Demolition Drawings/Specifications (by separate designer)

Preliminary Concept Submittal

Final Concept Submittal

Preliminary Design Development Submittal

Final Design Development Drawings

35% Construction Drawings

65% Construction Drawings and Specifications

95% Construction Drawings and Specifications

100% Construction Drawings and Specifications

65% Tenant Fit-Out Construction Drawings (65% complete) and Specifications

100% Tenant Fit-Out Construction Drawings and Specifications

The A-E will provide CMC with submittals in an electronic format for all submissions.

2.8.2 Constructability and Coordination Review.

The CMc is primarily responsible for conducting the constructability and coordination review at the 35%, 65%, 95% and 100% Contract Document stages. The primary elements of a constructability and coordination review are listed below:

- 1. Materials, processes, equipment, and labor are appropriate, available, non-proprietary, and comply with Buy American Act provisions.
- 2. Drawings are complete and coordinated among disciplines.
- 3. Defects, conflicts, ambiguities, or lack of clarity in documents are identified for correction.
- 4. Drawings are coordinated for multiple bid packages, if applicable.

- 5. Site accommodates access, logistics, and storage.
- 6. Existing conditions are shown correctly and adequately.
- 7. Construction duration and phasing of bid packages is reasonable.
- 8. Use of bid options and unit prices are logical.
- 9. All required construction work is included in the contract documents.
- 10. Selected building systems are compatible and viable.
- 11. Construction details are workable.
- 12. General condition items are properly addressed (if applicable).

2.8.3 Commissioning.

During the design phases, the CMc shall provide commissioning services in accordance with GSA Building Commissioning Guide and ASHRAE Guideline 1, The HVAC Commissioning Process. In addition, the CMc shall perform a similar commissioning process on other major building systems, as required to fulfill the requirements of Credit 3 – Additional Commissioning, under the Energy and Atmosphere section, of Version 2.2 of the Rating System of the U.S. Green Building Council, Leadership in Energy Efficient Design (LEED). Elements of the Quality Control Plan overlap elements of the commissioning requirements and may be combined into a singular comprehensive document.

2.8.4 Design Review Procedure.

Shortly after award and prior to the first scheduled design review, the CMc will prepare and submit to the COR for approval a procedure for conducting all design reviews required under this contract. The procedure will include a list of participants, the responsibilities of participants, a detailed schedule of review activities consistent with the turn-around periods required in the A-E contract, and the physical location of design reviews. The CMc will coordinate all design reviews, conduct reviews, and prepare design review reports consistent with the approved procedure.

2.8.5 Design Review Reports.

For each specified design submission from the A-E, the CMc will consolidate all design review comments into a single design review report including the comments based on CMc's cost estimate and the Government's owner and regulatory review comments. The report will be submitted to the COR for approval by GSA's PM and transmission to the A-E for action.

2.9 Cost Estimate.

The CMc will prepare and update cost estimates for the cost of construction at each stage of the design and Construction Document's development (Note that multiple design concepts will be developed by A-E team and will each require a separate estimate.) The estimates will become more detailed with each phase of project development and shall be produced in either Uniformat or Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) format. Estimates will be separated into two major cost categories: 1. Building Shell costs (Core & Shell), 2. Tenant finish-out costs (Separated by tenant). The guidelines for defining base building costs versus tenant improvement build-out cost will be provided after award of this contract. The CMc will review each A-E submittal and prepare and distribute cost estimate within two weeks of the A-E design submittal. The CMc shall distribute thirty (30) copies of the cost estimate, via pre-paid express mail for next day delivery to the Government (including tenants in Washington, DC and Kansas City, MO, as well as Government contractors, such as the A-E and CMa). CMc shall coordinate with the A-E to assure that:

- 1. All design elements are included
- 2. Balance of costs among building systems are acceptable
- 3. Up-to-date scope modifications are reflected
- 4. Overall project costs are within the project cost limitation
- 5. Individual tenant's tenant improvements (TI) are within their budget allocations (which may include several different rates for a single tenant)

The CMc will continuously coordinate with the A-E to assure project stays with the budget limitations.

2.10 Record Keeping.

The CMc maintains file copies of all design submissions and review comments throughout the design phase. Such records will be organized and maintained so they are easily accessible. At the completion of design, such files will be turned over to the Government for record purposes. The file documents at a minimum shall consist of:

- 1. A-E's formal design submissions
- 2. Corresponding design review reports
- 3. Minutes from design review meetings
- 4. Formal VE reports
- 5. A-E contract modifications
- 6. Documentation of significant clarifications and decisions
- 7. CMC's monthly status reports

2.11 Progress Reports.

Throughout the Pre-construction phase of the project, the CMc shall prepare and submit a status report to the PM at least monthly. Twenty (20) copies of the report shall be submitted in 8 ½-inch x 11-inch format containing the following information:

- 1. Summary of design submissions and reviews, including the following: Summary by discipline/building system the designs required according to criteria addressing the adequacy/inadequacy of each design item and identifying the design corrections necessary to meet criteria.
- 2. Summary of issues resolved, decisions reached, clarifications, instructions, etc.
- 3. Summary of outstanding problems/issues
- 4. Minutes from meetings during the month
- 5. Cost control report
- 6. Schedule summary

The report shall also be transmitted in electronic format using approved versions of (Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Project).

2.12 Problem Resolution.

The CMc will assist the A-E and the Government in problem resolution during the design phase. The CMc will make recommendations on how to correct problems with respect to constructability, cost, and other administrative or technical matters, and will notify the A-E in writing of any errors or omissions found. Routine design problems and issues usually can be resolved directly between the A-E and the CMc. The CMc should not take any action, however, that impinges on the A-E's professional and contractual responsibility for the design of the project. The CMc will advise the PM immediately of any problem which the CMc considers beyond its ability to resolve, particularly problems which have the potential for jeopardizing the project goals relating to schedule, cost, quality or scope.

2.13 Marketing

The CMc will canvas the market to evaluate subcontractor interest and prepare a source list of potential bidders or offerors. At the request of the CO, the CM will suggest strategies for expanding competition by stimulating more bidder interest.

2.14 Other Services.

The services described herein are not a complete list of the services the CMc will perform. Throughout the design phase the CMc will perform or assist the Government in performing other various tasks. Examples of other tasks required include but are not limited to scheduling and conducting periodic design progress meetings and other meetings as necessary or as requested by the PM.

3. Quality Control Plan

3.1. General

Based upon performance, installation and start-up requirements referenced in *Part 3*, technical requirements, code/industry standards, mock-ups/example requirements, manufacturer's recommendations, and the Contractor's proposal, the Contractor shall prepare and maintain a Quality Control Plan (QCP) to address all quantitative performance/specification requirements, installed conditions and operating characteristics. The QCP is intended to document those inspections/tests necessary to assure the Government that product delivery, quality and performance are as required. It also serves as an inspection coordination tool for the A-E, the Government, and the CMc.

3.2. Content.

For each performance requirement, the QCP shall identify item/system to be tested, exact test(s) to be performed, measured parameters, inspection/testing organization, and the stage of construction development when tests are to be performed. Organize the QCP into volumes, corresponding to Inspections and Tests, paragraph 6. of this Part. Each inspection/test shall be coded and referenced on timeline charts to identify when tests should be performed. The Contractor is not relieved from required performance tests should they not be included in the plan. The QCP content/level of development is represented by the Instructions for Preparing Quality Control Plan, found in subparagraph 3.9 of this part.

3.3. Divisions.

The Contractor shall organize inspection/testing descriptions in accordance with CSI divisional headings, UNIFORMAT system headings, chronological/sequence or combinations thereof to delineate all facets of design and construction.

3.4. Component Subdivisions.

For each divisional heading, the Contractor shall identify all subsystems, equipment items, and/or components that influence operation, function, and quality or demonstrates attainment of performance requirements.

3.5. Test Parameters.

Identify each test parameter and represent each operating condition and all control modes of operation. For operating equipment, tests shall typically include the following for each mode of operation: capacity, flow rates, inlet/outlet conditions (temperature/pressure), power consumption, efficiency, verification of sequence start-up/shutdown, alarm conditions, utility sub-metering, noise generation, and observed deficiencies or improper operation. Lighting tests shall identify foot-candle readings, verification of automatic control and working condition of electrical sub-metering. Power systems shall typically involve measuring voltage/spikes, current draw, ground resistance and working condition of electrical sub-metering. For static architectural/structural systems, tests shall typically include verification of location, item counts, material tests, finish grades, clearance/accessibility, etc.

3.6. Test Report.

For each inspection/adjustment/test parameter, identify the inspection/test procedures, required preparation, adjustments contemplated, test result comparison to that designed, time of occurrence, mode of operation, and the firm(s) to perform/witness the work.

3.7. Format.

The QCP shall be bound in loose-leaf notebooks (for 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper) to allow insertion of changes and new inspection materials. All text shall be typed. Tabs shall be provided at the component level. The QCP shall also shall also be submitted in electronic format.

3.8. Submissions.

The QCP shall be prepared during design development and submitted in accordance with paragraph 4. of this part. The QCP may be rejected as incomplete if there is any performance, condition or operating test that is not covered therein.

3.9. Updating.

During construction, the Contractor must update the plan at least two weeks prior to performing referenced tests, notifying the Government's Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) and the CM of schedule and procedural changes.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

Divisions. Unless otherwise accepted by the Government, organize major subject headings according to building systems and/or features. Including but not limited to:

> **Foundations** Substructure Superstructure Envelope Roofing Interior Finishes Landscaping

HVAC Plumbing Fire Suppression Utilities/Site Work Material Handling Systems Elevators/Escalators Special Equipment/Systems Power **Emergency Power**

Lighting Fire Alarm Systems Security Systems Telecommunications

Building Automation Systems

Component Subdivisions. For each major heading, identify components/features to be tested. Consider as an example, "Plumbing": B.

> Hot Water Boiler Drinking Water Chiller Kitchen Water Boiler Kitchen Equipment

Circulation Pumps Sewage Ejectors Toilet Fixtures Distribution Piping Heat Exchanger Solar System Service Sinks Meters

Test Parameters. For each component to be inspected/adjusted/tested, identify the performance test to be conducted. Identify who is C. going to do the inspection/adjustment/test. Consider as an example, "Circulation Pumps":

> Inlet Pressure Outlet Pressure Flow Rate

Current Draw Observed Vibration Start-Up/Safety Interrupts Use of Isolators Leakage Spare Parts

Test Report. For each inspection/adjustment/test parameter, identify the methodology, test equipment, required preparation, adjustments contemplated, test result comparison to that of design, the approximate time of occurrence, and who will do the work. Consider use of tabular or bullet references. As an example, consider the circulation pump parameter "Inlet Pressure":

> Test Method: Test Equipment: Preparation: Adjustment: Design Pressure: Actual Pressure: Test Occurrence: Performed by:

Pressure Gage Reading Permanent In-line Gage Calibrate Gage/Clean Circ. System Adjust In-line Control Valve Pounds Per Square Inch (Gage) Pounds Per Square Inch (Gage)

Final Inspection

NOTE: This generic quality control plan is for illustrative purposes only. Specific project requirements may vary.

4. Construction Services

4.1 General Requirements

4.1.1. CMc's Staff

The Contractor shall maintain sufficient off-site support staff, and competent full time staff at the Project site authorized to act on behalf of the Contractor to coordinate, inspect, and provide general direction of the work and progress of the subcontractors.

4.1.2 Construction Start

Construction shall not begin on a segment of work until the associated design has been developed to Final Document stage, complete with designer registration seals/signatures on involved design drawings and specifications. Where phased construction (fast-tracking) is applied, each phase must be based upon Final Document drawings and specifications associated with that phase.

Phased construction must be agreed to, and coordinated with, the Government and the A-E

4.1.3. On-Site Construction Sign

The Contractor shall ensure that a construction sign with building perspective drawing, based on Government specifications and approved by the Government, is displayed on the construction site for public viewing.

4.1.4. Construction Staging Area

Prior to establishing a staging area for use during construction, the Contractor shall contact the Contracting Officer or his duly authorized representative.

4.2. CMc Construction Contractor Services

4.2.1 Shop Drawings/Product Data

4.2.1.1. Submissions.

The Contractor shall submit shop drawings and product data (catalog cuts, etc.) as stipulated herein. Shop drawing/product data submissions to the Government shall be made after review and approval by the Government's designer of record. This is in addition to, and separate from, specification submission material. Product data shall be delivered to the Government within forty-five (45) calendar days following the Government's review of Final Document design and/or the Contractor's establishment of subcontract agreements to provide involved work. Shop drawing submissions shall be made to the Contracting Officer or his/her designated representative and shall contain two (2) copies (one reproducible and one copy). A-E will review/comment on the reproducible and return to CMc for reproduction (return 4 copies of the approved submittal to the Contracting Officer or his designated representative). Product data submissions shall be made to the Contracting Officer or her designated representative and shall contain five (5) copies of all materials. Copies of each submittal, other than material samples, whether approved, approved as noted, or rejected for resubmission, shall be logged.

Shop drawings/product data shall be submitted to the independent CM for logging and distribution. The independent CM shall distribute the shop drawings/product data to the A-E for review and shall track delivery and return. Tenant agencies shall also be given the opportunity to review shop drawings/product data of concern to them, paralleling the A-E's review. (The tenant agencies' concerns will typically address monumental finishes in public areas of the building, as well as in their private areas (i.e., millwork, stone, terrazzo, high-grade carpets, and the like. Tenant agencies may also indicate they would like to review specialized systems.) Tenant agencies' review shall be subject to the same time durations as the A-E's.

4.2.1.2. Reviews.

Reviews of shop drawings and product data by the Government or its representatives are not to be interpreted as an approval of the Contractor's selections or progress toward meeting contract requirements but are intended to discover problems/errors which may avoid costly redirection during construction. The Contractor shall remain completely responsible for and constructing the building in accordance with contract requirements and the Government's minimum requirements.

4.2.1.3. Review Period.

Product submissions and samples will be reviewed and returned to the contractor within three weeks. The contractor shall submit large submittals (such as hardware, finishes, millwork, masonry, etc.) in sufficient time for thorough review. Time for review of these submittals will be agreed to between all parties prior to submission.

4.2.1.4. Changes.

Should shop drawing and/or product changes occur as a result of Government review, the Contractor shall resubmit the altered product data material within ten (10) days and shop drawings within twenty (20) days of the change.

4.2.1.5. Products for Submission.

The Contractor shall provide shop drawings and product data for all systems, equipment and materials referenced within the Final Documents submission.

4.2.2 Manuals.

The Contractor shall combine all product data submission material into hard copy manuals for reference during all phases of construction. Shop drawings shall be bound with product data or separately bound in drawing racks. The manuals shall be divided into sections corresponding to QCP headings. The Contractor shall maintain duplicate copies for the Government, and the Government's Resident Engineer. Also see subparagraph 4.2.4 of this Part for closeout manual requirements.

4.2.3 Inspections And Tests

4.2.3.1. General.

The Contractor shall perform inspections and tests throughout the design and construction process, including: design support (existing conditions/needs assessments), construction installation (placement-qualification measurements), and final inspections/tests (commissioning/performance certification). Periodic "Quantity" and compliance inspections shall also be conducted.

4.2.3.2. Government Witness.

All inspections and tests called for in this RFP and/or required to verify documented contract assumptions, to establish work accomplishment, or to certify performance attainment shall be witnessed by the Government or its representative and coordinated through the Quality Control Plan (QCP) (as addressed in Vol. 1, Section 2, Paragraph 3). When required, local code officials and municipal inspection personnel shall also witness inspections and tests.

4.2.3.3. Site Investigations.

The Contractor shall conduct site condition inspections/tests to validate the RFP directions and the Government's 100% Construction Documents.

4.2.3.4. Government Site Investigation.

The Contractor shall be responsible for verifying all site investigation data supplied by the Government. The Government does not warrant the accuracy, validity, completeness or relevance of anything contained in this report that is not factual in nature. The Government shall not be liable for any cost incurred by the Contractor as a result of its election to rely upon non-factual elements of the Site Information, such as recommendations and engineering judgments.

4.2.3.5. Utilities.

The Contractor shall verify through inspection and testing; location, elevation, capacity and condition of all utilities, including electric, gas, telephone, domestic water, sanitary/storm sewers, etc. These inspections and tests shall be conducted immediately after contract award.

4.2.3.6. Connection to Existing Work.

The Contractor shall verify location, available capacity, sizing, clearances and material conditions prior to construction start.

4.2.3.7. Construction Inspections and Tests.

These items shall be addressed within the QCP submitted as required by Section 2 - Paragraph 3 of this Volume.

4.2.3.8. Final Inspections and Tests.

These items shall be addressed within the QCP submitted as required by Section 2 - Paragraph 3, of this Volume.

4.2.3.9. Documentation of Inspections and Tests.

These items shall be addressed within the QCP submitted as required by Section 2 - Paragraph 3, of this Volume.

4.2.4. Project Close-Out

4.2.4.1 Preparation for Final Inspection and Tests.

The steps outlined in subparagraphs 4.2.4.2 through 4.2.8.2 (inclusive) shall be taken to assure the project is in a condition to receive inspections and tests.

4.2.4.2 Record Drawings.

The Contractor shall finalize Record Drawings/Manuals, indicating all "As-Built" conditions. Submit record drawings to the A-E of Record for preparation of the As-Built Drawings, and closely monitor their submittal process.

4.2.4.3 Start-up.

The Contractor shall start-up and test all systems and equipment/components as described in the Commissioning Guideline, Construction Documents, as recommended by manufacturers and presented within the QCP.

4.2.5. Instruction/Training.

4.2.5.1. Operating Staff.

The Contractor shall provide at least one hundred twenty (120) hours of formal instruction for up to five (5) Government designated personnel, addressing the operation and maintenance of all installed equipment. The Operation and Maintenance manuals developed as part of subparagraph 4.2.8 shall be used as training materials. Unless otherwise accepted by the Government, training course format shall be split equally between classroom instruction and field exercises. All classroom instruction shall be video recorded for future reference. A copy of each video used in the training shall be provided to the Government for future training and reference. The Contractor shall provide a training plan with the final Design Document submission, addressing all involved building equipment.

4.2.5.2. Facility Management.

The Contractor shall provide at least forty (40) hours of classroom instruction for five (5) Government and/or Government authorized personnel to become familiar with the Building Automation System / Energy Management System software and equipment provided under this contract. Training shall be provided by software suppliers or authorized representatives, be "hands-on," and focused to actual operating and monitoring procedures. The software supplier's User Manual(s) shall be provided for each employee attending the training.

4.2.5.3. Special Training.

In addition to the above referenced formal training offered to the operating staff, the Contractor shall provide thirty (30) calendar days of full time qualified operators to monitor, instruct, and assist Government operating staff control, adjust, and maintain the project's HVAC systems, Building Automation System, Energy Management System and elevator equipment. An additional thirty (30) days of instruction and monitoring will be required for the next heating/cooling season at the time these systems come on-line.

4.2.6. Stock.

Provide the following stock items to meet servicing and modification needs. Provide an inventory of all stock items within the Operations & Maintenance (O&M) manual. Inventory sheets shall indicate item name, model number, manufacturer, quantity, and storage location. Inventory sheets must be signed by the CO or designated representative, indicating receipt of stock items. The inventory sheets shall be submitted to the Government in Microsoft Office Excel 2003, or approved version.

4.2.6.1. Operation and Maintenance.

Provide spare parts, operating supplies, and maintenance items/materials as recommended by the manufacturer to fully meet the needs of the first year of operation. All unused stock at the completion of the O&M period shall remain the property of the Government. If stock items are depleted before the end of the O&M period, the Contractor shall be responsible to provide additional stock as needed.

4.2.6.2. Future Alterations.

In addition to the above items, the Contractor shall provide indicated spare quantities for each type of the following installed items: Percentage (%) values are to be applied against the total number installed and with resulting quantities rounded up to a whole unit.

Diffusers/Grilles Stone Pavers Vinyl Wall Cover Ceramic Tiles	[1 %] [3 %] [1 %] [3 %]	Room Thermostats Sprinkler Heads Carpet Materials Typical Glazing Panels	[5 ea.] [1 %] [2 %] [3 ea.]
Smoke Detectors Fixture Ballasts	[3%] [1%] [1%]	Power Receptacles (under 50 amp) Light Switch/Receptacle Covers Light Tubes/Bulbs	[1 %] [1 %] [3 %]
Circuit Breakers Light Fixtures	[1%]	Light Switches Light Switches	[1%]

Prior to finalizing a GMP, the CMc and the Government shall confirm the above stock spare quantities.

4.2.7. Tools.

Provide all specialized tools, testing apparatus, and other devices as recommended by the manufacturer to operate, adjust, and calibrate equipment provided under this contract. The Government shall receive one (1) complete set of said tools, testing apparatus, and other devices upon construction completion. Provide an inventory of these items with location designations within the Operation and Maintenance manual. Inventory sheets must be signed by the CO, or her duly authorized representative, identifying receipt of tools and operation/maintenance apparatus.

4.2.8. Manuals.

The Contractor shall provide and administer the preparation of manuals/documentation reflecting "As-Built" constructed building features/systems, including specifications, shop drawings, design calculations, and operation/maintenance requirements. Manuals shall be bound in three ring binders and fitted with tab sheets to identify major text divisions. All contents shall be legible, first generation photocopies or prints of published material. Also provide an electronic copy of manuals, in Microsoft Word 2003, or approved version. Each manual shall be appropriately titled and provided with an introduction and table of contents. Should the Government establish that a submitted manual/document fails to represent installed conditions, the document shall be returned and corrected by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Government at no cost to the Government.

4.2.8.1. Shop Drawing Manual.

The Contractor shall provide two (2) copies of all shop drawings and product data manuals, containing all approved shop drawing submissions.

4.2.8.2. Operation and Maintenance Manual.

In addition to those manuals required to support training requirements under this Part, the Contractor shall prepare three (3) detailed Operation and Maintenance Manuals, identifying all procedures, tools, equipment and parts necessary to assure satisfactory operations and to provide maintenance per manufacturer's recommendations. Provide Operation and Maintenance Manuals in Microsoft Word and Excel format, version 2003, or approved version, with introductory PowerPoint presentation summaries.

A. Operation.

In addition to operating sequences of start-up and shutdown, all modes of operation shall be described, including emergency/safety shut-offs, efficiency or energy conservation adjustments, noise/vibration adjustments, control

calibration procedures, interpretation of readings and reports, etc. Where equipment is controlled or monitored by the Building Automation System, the manual shall identify all access procedures and available conditions reports.

B. Maintenance.

Maintenance shall address cycles of replacement and use of special tools, lubricants, fuels, gages/meters, etc. Also to be discussed shall be potential hazards and emergency procedures. Include references to record documents, spare parts and material lists, warranties, maintenance agreements and similar continuing commitments.

4.3. CMc Construction Manager Services.

4.3.1. Record Keeping.

The CMc will maintain at the job site, on a current basis, contract records including copies of all correspondence, submittals, progress reports, and related documentation throughout the duration of construction. Files will be logically organized and indexed according to a filing system provided by or agreeable to the COR. The records will be organized and maintained so they are easily accessible. Such files will be turned over to GSA for record purposes prior to close out of the CMc contract.

Examples of files to be maintained are:

- Correspondence
- Annotated submittals
- Formal and pending contract modifications with documentation
- Claims and supporting documentation
- Minutes from progress meetings
- Approved payment vouchers
- Documentation of significant clarifications and decisions
- Inspection and progress reports
 - CMc's monthly status reports

4.3.2. Progress Reporting.

The CMc is to keep accurate and detailed written records of project progress during all stages of construction and prepare progress reports in the format and frequency required by GSA. The COR will provide or approve formats for periodic status reports, including daily diaries, weekly reports, monthly status reports, etc. The CMc will maintain a detailed daily diary of all events, which occur at the job site or elsewhere, which affect or may be expected to affect, project progress. The CMc will submit weekly reports to the CO on the status of construction, including updated copies of all logs maintained at the site for change orders, claims, submittals, etc.

Monthly reports will be submitted on or before the 5th working day of each month in 8 1/2 x 11 format including the following suggested information: The CMC shall distribute thirty (30) copies of each monthly report, via pre-paid express mail for next day delivery to the Government contractors, such as the A-E and CMa). CMc shall coordinate with the GSA Project Manager, GSA Project Engineer, CMa and A-E to assure the accuracy of:

- Update of the master project schedule with analysis
- Percentage of construction in place, planned and actual
- Summary Budget Status
- Inspection report, list of deficiencies and omissions
- Summary of outstanding problems/issues
- Summary of issues resolved, decisions reached, clarifications, instructions, etc.
- Summary report on submittals
- Progress Photographs
- Minutes from meetings during the month
- The A-E's monthly observation report

The COR will identify other required reports such as on-site logs and will furnish reporting formats.

4.3.2.1. Schedule Control.

The CMc is required to furnish GSA a detailed automated schedule shortly after construction award. The government representative will review the CMc's schedule for GSA and recommend approval, rejection, or revision along with supporting rationale. The CMc's schedule should contain major contract milestones including dates for critical submittals, major equipment deliveries, major tests/inspections, and performance of work by special subcontractors or trades. The CMc's schedule is required to be cost-loaded as the basis for making progress payments. The CMc shall also submit a resource-loaded critical path method (CPM) schedule showing personnel levels expected to be committed to each task. The government representative will review the CMc's schedule to ensure that the activities are comprehensive, that workflow is logical, that the schedule is not front-end loaded, and (if applicable) that activities are reasonably priced. Once approved by the CO the CMc will incorporate the CMc's schedule into the master project schedule. The government representative will also receive and review the CMc's periodic updates as submitted with each request for payment and recommend appropriate action. The CMc will continuously monitor actual progress against the master schedule, identify any delays or potential delays and review the schedule at each weekly construction meeting with the Government COR, notifying him/her of any delays or potential delays. If delays are encountered or anticipated, the CMc will coordinate with GSA procedures that will mitigate the delays and implement remedial follow-up actions.

4.3.2.2. Timelines.

With each schedule update, the CMc shall provide a critical path method (CPM) or timeline graphic representation of delivery actions, sourced from a Windows compatible management/scheduling program, such as Primavera. The level of representation shall detail event sequences for each design/construction phase, subcontractor work, building component delivery (foundation, superstructure, HVAC system, Power, Lighting, Flooring), and project related Government contracts. Failure to update the CPM schedule monthly shall result in the Government withholding up to ten percent (10%) of the CMc's monthly progress payment. Repeated failure to provide monthly CPM updates shall be cause for Termination for Default.

4.3.3. Meetings.

The CMc will coordinate, schedule, and conduct the pre-construction conference; other meetings as necessary or as requested by the COR, and periodic progress meetings, and will record and provide minutes for each.

4.3.3.1. Pre-construction Conference.

The CMc will attend the pre-construction conference. Normally the conference will be attended by:

- CO, PM and/or COR
- CMc PEX and OCS
- A-E representative(s)
- Construction contractor principals and superintendent
- Subcontractor representatives
- Facility manager or district manager
- Safety and Environmental Management representative
- Client representative(s)

A typical agenda for the pre-construction conference is as follows:

Ouestions and answers

Introductions of key personnel, roles and responsibilities
Partnering (if applicable)
Project overview
Site/building logistics
Project schedule, CPM, delays, time extensions, liquidated damages
Site safety
Labor standard provisions
Submittals
Progress payments and cost breakdowns

4.3.3.2. Progress Meetings.

The CMc will attend *weekly* progress meetings. The progress meetings should be held at or near the construction site. Normally the progress meetings will be attended by:

- COR
- CMc OCS
- A-E representative
- Construction contractor superintendent
- Project Engineer
- Appropriate subcontractor representatives
- Client representative(s), if appropriate

A typical agenda for the progress meetings is as follows:

- CPM or schedule update (w/"1, 2 & 6 week look ahead" evaluated biweekly)
- Old Business (CMc lists on the agenda issues/problems/questions from prior progress meeting that remain unresolved. Issues that get resolved during the meeting are dropped, unresolved issues are carried over to the next meeting.)
- New Business

The CMc shall provide a laptop or other personal computer and projection device for on-screen review of the CPM schedule, submittals log and request for information (RFI) log.

4.3.4. Submittals.

The submittals required of the construction contractor (e.g., shop drawings, samples, certificates, catalog data, test reports, warranties, and operating manuals) are specified in the construction contract.

4.3.4.1. Submittal Processing

The CMc will develop a complete list of submittals from the construction contract for monitoring purposes. The CMc will establish a submittal control system for processing all construction submittals. The CMc's submittal control process will include target time periods for delivery, review, and return consistent with the review periods specified in the construction contract. The submittal control process will include initial delivery and distribution, logging, review, mark-up, approval / rejection, return distribution, resubmittal processing, and tracking / monitoring. The A-E or GSA will review submittals and recommend approval, approval as noted, or rejection.

4.3.4.2. Submittal Processing Time.

The CMc is responsible for facilitating the review and approval of submittals so as to keep processing times to the minimum. Under the terms of the construction contract, the construction contractor will be required to prepare submittals in time to support corresponding construction activities, allowing sufficient time for GSA and the A-E's review. If delays are encountered or anticipated in the receipt of submittals or in the processing of submittals, the CMc will develop strategies for mitigating the delays and assist GSA with remedial follow-up actions.

4.3.5. Commissioning.

During the construction phase, the CMc shall provide commissioning services in accordance with PBS Commissioning Guide and ASHRAE Guideline 1, The HVAC Commissioning Process. In addition, the CMc shall perform a similar commissioning process on other major building systems, as required to fulfill the requirements of Credit 3 – Additional Commissioning, under the Energy and Atmosphere section, of Version 2.0 of the Rating System of the U.S. Green Building Council, Leadership in Energy Efficient Design (LEED). Elements of the Quality Control Plan overlap elements of the commissioning requirements and may be combined into a singular comprehensive document.

4.3.6. Safety.

The CMc is responsible for safety at the construction site. The CMc is also responsible for preparation of a safety plan and for carrying out the safety plan. GSA Safety personnel, from the Facilities Branch of the East Service Center are responsible for the administration of the safety and environmental program in GSA. The CMc staff shall maintain conformance to the safety plan throughout the course of construction. CMc inspectors shall consider safety a key element of their daily inspections. The CMc is required to cooperate with officials of other agencies (Federal and/or state) who are vested with authority to enforce requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act. If required, the CMc will assist GSA in preparing accident and fire reports.

4.3.7. Inspection.

The A-E and Construction Manager as Agent (CMa) will inspect the CMc and subcontractors' workmanship, materials, and equipment for conformity with requirements of the construction contract, i.e., against the contract drawings and specifications, subsequent contract modifications, and approved submittals. The A-E will promptly report to the CMc, in writing, observed variances from the contract requirements with a copy to the PM, advise the PM if the contractor fails to promptly remove, correct, or replace unacceptable construction work, and assess any delays caused by contractor. Throughout construction the CMc will maintain an up-to-date list of defects and omissions. The CMc will prepare and maintain inspection reports. GSA will conduct the final inspection with assistance from the A-E.

4.3.8. As-Built Drawings.

The A-E or CMa will verify on a monthly basis that the CMc is maintaining a complete and up to date set of Record drawings. The GSA will be notified if the contractor is neglecting to maintain an accurate Record Drawing set of drawings.

The A-E shall provide "As-Built Drawings" and documents based upon actual site installation, as should be reflected within latest Record Drawings/documents. The contractor shall monitor the submittal of the As-Built Drawings for accuracy and completeness. Should the Government determine that variations exist between finished construction and the As-Built Drawings, the Contractor shall monitor the A-E's performance to correct drawings to the satisfaction of the Government at no cost to the Government.

4.3.9. Testing.

4.3.9.1. Coordinate Testing.

The CMc is responsible for conducting required tests and for submitting test results to GSA. The CMc will review the construction contract and identify all tests they are required to perform and prepare a complete testing schedule. The CMc's testing responsibilities include:

- Verifying that tests are conducted as scheduled (this shall include acoustical testing to assure conformance with the U.S. Courts Design Guide standards for sound transmission and reverberation, as well as measured background noise, in the courtrooms)
- Witnessing selected tests
- Checking test results
- Retaining test records
- Summarizing significant test results in progress reports
- Notifying GSA of test failures and planning corrective actions
- Overseeing corrective actions and retesting

4.3.9.2. Conduct Tests.

The CMc may be asked to perform independent or verification tests for GSA. Such tests may be performed by the CMc's in-house staff if certified or by subcontract to a certified testing laboratory

4.3.10. Information Requests.

A request for information (RFI), also known as an information request (IR), is a question posed by the construction contractor seeking clarification of contract requirements. All RFI's shall be submitted in writing. The RFI and response provide a documented history of the issue, and are considered a no-cost clarification to the contract for construction. An RFI can result in a contract modification, but such modifications must be approved and processed as formal contract modifications, with cost and time delineated.

- 1. The CMc shall initiate any needed RFI's and for maintain a log of all RFI's and coordinate RFI's among the subcontractors, A-E, COR and Government representative. The CMc shall formalize procedures for processing RFI's so all parties understand and agree to their respective roles and responsibilities.
- 2. If the CMc can demonstrate to the COR that the information contained in the contract documents is insufficient to formulate a response to the RFI, the CMc shall forward the RFI to the A-E for a written response, which may include additional design documents. The CMc shall then review the A-E's response and, with the written concurrence of the COR, forward the response to the appropriate subcontractor.
- 3. The CMc shall advise the A-E and the COR of all RFI responses, and confirm that all parties agree with the contract interpretation contained in each response. The CMc shall be responsible for expediting the processing of RFI's to minimize response times.

4.3.11. Contract Modifications.

The CMc will develop a standard procedure for working with the construction contractor, the A-E, CMa, and GSA in processing modifications

4.3.12. Subcontracting Plan.

The CMc shall, on a monthly basis, certify that the approved Subcontracting Plan is in effect. CMc verification shall include reviewing sub contractor records (such as subcontracting reports, source lists, contract guidelines, documentation of outreach efforts, etc.) and conducting interviews with subcontractor employees. A letter report shall be prepared by the CMc and sent to the GSA CO, summarizing the subcontractor activity and the adherence to goals within the Subcontracting Plan.

4.3.13. Photography.

The CMc is responsible for taking progress, final, interior, mechanical, and video photography on this project. All photographs and/or videotapes will be taken by a competent commercial photographer experienced in architectural photography. Each photograph/video will be labeled with at least the following:

- Project, Building, City, State
- Name of construction contractor
- Type of photograph (progress, special, final, etc.)
- Date taken
- Description of Weather Conditions
- Subject matter and view point
- Name of CMC and photographer

4.3.13.1. Progress Photographs.

Provide twenty four (24) separate color digital photographs in sharp focus, in the monthly reports and via modem to the government's photo documentation software (lynx). Photographs will at a minimum, be taken on the first working day of each month regardless of whether work was performed during the previous month. Photographs will be taken from points selected by the CO. Photos shall also be placed on the project website.

4.3.13.2. Final.

The CMc will provide final color photographs when the project is complete. The photographer shall be approved by the CO (in consultation with the A-E). The final color photographs shall be produced with such professional and artistic skill as to be suitable for exhibition, by a professional architectural photographer. Exterior photographs will

be taken from twelve (12) points of view to be selected by the CO (in consultation with the A-E). The CMc will provide twenty four (24) interior photographs from points of view to be selected by the CO. The CMc will provide the negative and three printed photographs of each view, as well as electronic/digital scans of each photograph. Electronic/digital scans shall be compatible with the Government's photo documentation software (lynx).

4.3.13.3. Mechanical and Electrical.

The CMc will provide ten color final photographs of mechanical and electrical equipment, taken from points selected by the CO. The CMc will provide the negative and three printed photographs of each view, as well as electronic/digital scans of each photograph. Electronic/digital scans shall be compatible with the Government's photo documentation software (lynx).

4.3.13.4. Video Photography.

The CMc will provide color video cassette tapes, with sound, of construction work in progress, narrated to describe what is taking place. Three (3) copies of one (1) 30-minute taped presentation per month shall be forwarded to the CO. At the conclusion of each 6-month interval the CMc will consolidate and provide to the CO three (3) copies of a master tape of approximately three hours duration. The sequencing of all videotapes must be chronological and parallel the actual progress of construction. Taping segments must reflect continuity in viewpoints of various job locations so that progress comparisons can be observed.

4.3.14. Other Services.

The services described in Paragraph 4.3, CMc Construction Manager Services, is not a complete list of the services the CMc will be required to perform. Throughout the construction phase the CMc will perform or assist GSA in performing other various tasks. Examples of other tasks required are monitoring the inspections performed by the A-E, verifying the qualifications of specialists employed by the A-E, labor interviews for wage rate compliance, or recommending solutions to delay problems encountered.

Section 3 - Contract Administration

1. Construction Manager as Constructor Contract

1.1 Contract Type

The Government contemplates award of a Firm Fixed-Price contract under FAR 16.202 for the Pre-Construction Phase Services and a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Option with Construction Contingency allowance for the Construction Phase Services portion of this contract. The optional construction services portion of this contract will be a GMP Plus-Award-Fee type contract. Source Selection procedures under FAR 15 will be employed as the method of selection of the successful Offeror.

See FAR 52.216-17 for detailed procedures and instructions related to cost and price administration for the Construction Services Option.

See Volume II for further explanation of the components of the cost and price elements of the price proposal.

1.2. Standard Clauses

The design, construction, and management of this project is governed by the regulatory clauses set forth in Volume 1, Part 2, which provides general clauses applicable to all facets of the contract. Within the above referenced clauses, there are differing terms for "contractors." References to "Contractor(s)," "Construction Contractor," "Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc)" etc. shall all be understood to mean the "Contractor" as described in Section 1 of this Part

1.3. Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc) Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) with Construction Contingency Allowance (JAN 2008)

1.3.1 General

- (1) There are two components of work to be performed under this contract: Design Phase Services and Construction Phase Work.
- (i) Design Phase Services (preconstruction) constitutes the Base Contract and shall be awarded as a Firm-fixed Price.
- (ii) Construction Phase Services is an Option subject to the provisions described in this clause. Under the Construction Phase Work the Contractor will be entitled to compensation for the Cost of Performance. Payment to the contractor for the Construction Phase Work shall not exceed the Guarantee Maximum Price.
- (2) Prior to the exercise of the Option for Construction Phase Services, the Government and the Contractor shall negotiate the estimated cost of the work, which when combined with the Fee shall not exceed the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). If the Government and the Contractor agree upon an ECW within the GMP, the Government may exercise the Option for the Construction Phase Services, and the Contractor will be required to complete the Construction Phase Services. In consideration for the completion of the Construction Phase Services, the Contractor shall be entitled to the Cost of Performance not to exceed the GMP.

1.3.2 Definitions:

The following definitions shall apply to this entire clause:

"Contractor" as used in this clause, means the Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc) Contractor.

"Costs" refers to allowable costs in accordance with Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) in effect on the date of the award of this contract.

"Cost of Performance" as used in this clause, means those Costs and Fees which the Contractor is entitled to be paid under this clause.

"Cost of the Work" as used in this clause, refers to the construction phase costs incurred by the Contractor in the performance of the Construction Phase Services work.

"Construction Contingency" as used in this clause, means a contingency for conditions or circumstances that could not have been foreseen. Construction Contingency relates to costs, excluding overhead, profit and commission of the Contractor attributable to the following: (a) resolution of A/E Errors and Omissions; (b) resolution of constructability issues; (c) subcontract adjustments necessary to resolve coordination issues or conflicts between trade subcontractors and suppliers; (d) variances between the ECW and the Cost of the Work established through the award of subcontracts; (e) other items as may be agreed to by the Contracting Officer and the Contractor.

"Design Phase Services" are the design phase construction management services, constructability reviews and other related services as described in the scope of work.

"End of Project Price" as used in this clause, means the final price for the entire construction phase services.

"Estimated Cost of the Work" (ECW) means the cost of work agreed upon by the CMc and the Contracting Officer for the Construction Phase Services work.

"Fee" as used in this clause, means the Offeror's anticipated profit (inclusive of any commission on subcontracted work as described in GSAM 552.243-71) and home office overhead.

"Final Negotiated cost or Total Final Cost" as used in this clause, means the incurred and allowable costs associated with the Construction Phase Services that is negotiated during the final price revision.

"General Conditions," as used in this clause, means those construction phase tasks and services necessary to do the work which are not incorporated into the project as specific building trades, including the Contractor's construction phase CM services. General Conditions are further defined in the contract documents.

"Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) as used in this clause, means the lump sum for the Contractor's Construction Phase Services for the Cost of Work, General Conditions, Construction Contingency, and the Fee. The GMP is the maximum amount the Government will pay for the performance of the Construction Phase Services. The Contractor guarantees this lump sum amount. Any costs which would cause the GMP to be exceeded shall be paid by the Contractor without reimbursement by the Government. This maximum sum is subject to adjustments by approved changes (additions and deductions) to the work.

1.3.3 Data Submission and Initial Price Revision.

Throughout the Design Phase Services the Contractor will furnish the Government several cost estimates for the Construction Phase Work in accordance with the cost estimate schedule in the solicitation. The price for Construction Phase Work may be revised as follows:

- (1) Upon the Contracting Officer's receipt of the cost estimate required at any time identified in the specification, the Contracting Officer and the Contractor may agree to revise the Baseline Cost of the Work, Baseline General Conditions, Baseline Construction Contingency, Fee and the GMP amounts. These revised amounts shall be evidenced by a modification to this contract signed by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer. Execution of this modification shall not constitute a determination to exercise the Construction Phase Services Option or any other contract option(s); or
- (2) At the above referenced cost estimate point or any later date, the contract may be converted to a Firm Fixed Price at an amount that is mutually agreeable to both the Contractor and the Government. This conversion must be evidenced by a modification to this contract signed by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer. Execution of this modification shall not constitute a determination to exercise the Construction Phase Services Option or any other contract option(s).

1.3.4 Construction Contingency.

The GMP shall include a Construction Contingency equal to 3% of the Contractor's Baseline Cost of the Work and Baseline General Conditions, to reduce the risks assumed by the Contractor in providing the GMP for the project.

- (1) The Government and the Contractor acknowledge that the Construction Contingency is included in the contract for eventualities which were not taken into account in the establishment of the GMP, including (i) minor changes in materials or design detailing, (ii) costs of corrective work not provided for elsewhere and (iii) design omissions which a prudent Contractor exercising reasonable care, skill, and diligence should have detected during the discharge of the Contractor's preconstruction duties. Costs incurred for such design omissions shall come from the Construction Contingency. Design errors which the Contractor should not have reasonable determined during their preconstruction duties will be resolved through an equitable adjustment to the contract.
- (2) The Construction Contingency is not allocated to any particular price element, and is established for the Contractor's use as may be required for increases in costs as noted in paragraph (d)(1) of this clause. It is understood that the amount of the Construction Contingency is the maximum sum available to the Contractor to cover costs incurred as a result of such unanticipated causes or details, and that cost overruns in excess of the amount of the Construction Contingency shall be borne by the Contractor if these costs overruns result in the contractor exceeding the GMP.
 - (3) All modifications shall be subject to FAR Part 43.
- Eventualities not listed under (d)(1) of this clause shall be managed and executed at the Governments discretion.
- (4) The Construction Contingency may be applied without necessity of a change order, without constituting a change in the work, and without resulting in any change in the GMP. The Contractor shall notify the Government in writing of their intent to apply any part of the Construction Contingency prior to any such application. The Contractor shall fully document the change on its copy of the construction documents. In the event there is unspent contingency remaining in the Construction Contingency Allowance, the Government will recoup these costs and may use these remaining costs to add scope changes to the project.

1.3.5 Guaranteed Maximum Price.

Unless a Firm Fixed Price has been established in accordance with paragraph (c)(2) of this clause, the following provisions shall apply.

- (1) The Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) is defined in paragraph (b) of this clause. The Contractor guarantees that the lump sum of their final Cost of the Work, final General Conditions, applied Construction Contingency, and the Fee shall not exceed the established Guaranteed Maximum Price. The Contractor shall pay all costs which would cause the Guaranteed Maximum Price to be exceeded without reimbursement by the Government.
- (2) Compensation to the Contractor shall be calculated as follows.
 - (i) If the Final Negotiated Cost for the Construction Phase Services work is less than the Guaranteed Maximum Price (adjusted for changes to the work), the Contractor shall be paid the amount of the Final Negotiated Cost for the Construction Phase Services. This amount shall become the End-of-Project Price. Any savings between the Final Negotiated Cost for the Construction Phase Services and the GMP shall be retained in full by the Government.
 - (ii) If the Final Negotiated Cost for the Construction Phase Services work is equal to the Guaranteed Maximum Price (adjusted for changes to the work), the Contractor shall be paid the GMP amount. This amount shall become the End-of-Project Price.
 - (iii) If the Final Negotiated Cost for the Construction Phase Services Work is greater than the Guaranteed Maximum Price (adjusted for changes to the work), the Contractor shall be paid the GMP amount. This amount, the GMP, shall become the End-of-Project Price. The Contractor will bear responsibility for all costs which exceed the Guaranteed Maximum Price without reimbursement by the Government. This situation could ultimately result in an overall loss in the task order for the Contractor.
- (3) In the event savings are anticipated between the Final Negotiated Cost for the Construction Phase Services and the GMP, the Government may use these savings to add scope changes to the project. This process should only be initiated at a point in the project when it is apparent that savings will be available and both the Government and the CMc mutually agree to it. No additional Fee/profit shall be assessed to added scope changes of this type.

1.3.6 Submitting Data for End-of-Project Price.

Unless a Firm Fixed Price has been established in accordance with paragraph (c)(2) of this clause, within 120 calendar days after the end of the month in which the Contractor substantially completes the Construction Phase Services, the Contractor shall submit in the format of Table 15-2, FAR 15.408 (or in any other form on which the parties agree)

- i. A detailed statement of all costs incurred by the Contractor in performing the Construction Phase Services;
- ii. A firm-fixed-price proposal for the performance of the remaining work, if any, that may be necessary to complete performance of all work required under the contract;
- iii. A list of inventory retained by the Contractor and its residual value;
- iv. Any other relevant data the Contracting Officer may require;
- v. The estimated amount of Construction Contingency remaining on the project.

1.3.7 End-of-Project Price.

Unless a firm fixed price has been agreed to in accordance with paragraph (c)(2) of this section, the Contractor and the Contracting Officer shall, promptly after submission of the data required by paragraph (f) of this section, establish the End-of-Project Price, as follows:

- (1) On the basis of the information required by paragraph (f) of this section, together with any other pertinent information, the parties shall negotiate the Total Final Cost incurred or to be incurred for the construction services performed and accepted by the Government and which are subject to this clause.
- (2) The Final Negotiated Cost shall be equal to the final Cost of the Work plus the final General Conditions plus the applied Construction Contingency plus the Fee.
- (3) The End-of-Project Price shall be established as described in paragraph (e) of this section.

1.3.8 Contract modification.

The End-of-Project Price of the Construction Phase Services (items) shall be evidenced by a modification to the contract, signed by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer. This price shall not be subject to revision, notwithstanding any changes in the cost of performing the work, except to the extent that-

- (1) The parties may agree in writing, before the determination of End-of-Project Price, to exclude specific elements of cost from this price and to a procedure for subsequent disposition of these elements; and
- (2) Adjustments or credits are explicitly permitted or required by this or any other clause in this contract.

1.3.9 Subcontracts.

No subcontract placed under this contract may provide for payment on a cost-plus-a-percentage-of-cost basis.

1.3.10 Disagreements.

If the Contractor and the Contracting Officer fail to agree upon an End-of-Project Price, within 60 days (or within such other period as the Contracting Officer may specify) after the date on which the data required in paragraph (f) of this section is to be submitted, the Contracting Officer shall promptly issue a decision in accordance with the Disputes clause. Provided, however, that the Contracting Officer's decision to accept or reject all or part of any proposal by the Contractor to reduce costs or save money shall be final and not subject to the Disputes clause or otherwise subject to litigation under the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 601-613).

1.3.11 Termination.

If this contract is terminated before the End-of-Project Price is established, prices of construction phase services subject to price revision shall be established in accordance with this clause for (1) completed Construction Phase Services accepted by the Government and (2) those Construction Phase Services not terminated under a partial termination. All other elements of the termination shall be resolved in accordance with other applicable clauses of this contract.

1.3.12 Equitable adjustments under other clauses.

If an equitable adjustment in the contract price is made under any other clause of this contract before the End-of-Project Price is established, the adjustment shall be made in the Guaranteed Maximum Price and the appropriate sub-pricing element(s). If the adjustment is made after the End-of-Project Price is established, only the End-of-Project Price shall be adjusted.

1.3.13 Options.

The Construction Phase Services are an Option and may be exercised upon acceptable completion of the design phase services, receipt of construction funding, and the review of the initial price revision as described in paragraph (c)(1) of this section. The Contractor shall also reaffirm their ability to obtain performance and payment bonds prior to the Government exercising this Option.

1.3.14 Contract Relationship.

Due to the nature of a Construction Manager as Constructor contract, the project will be an "Open Book" job whereby the Government may attend any and all meetings, and the Government or its designated auditors or accountants shall have access to any and all records of the Contractor, or maintained by the Contractor, relating to the project.

1.3.15 Incentives.

The Contractor's performance in managing the costs for this project shall be incentivized in accordance with the award fee provisions stated in the contract. *End of Clause*

1.4. Competitive Bid of Subcontracted Work.

For all subcontract work of \$100,000 or more, the CMc shall obtain competitive pricing from a minimum of three (3) independent sources. The results of competitive pricing shall be made available to the government, and the government shall participate in the selection of subcontractors. For items or work where three sources are not available due to circumstances such as uniqueness of the item, limited sources, regional shortages, the CMc shall substantiate this situation to the satisfaction of the Government. The CMc shall make recommendations for change

or substitution of these items to promote the maximum competition available. Self-performed work is permitted if competitively priced, demonstrated to be in the Government's best interest and approved by the COR/CO.

2. Roles and Responsibilities

2.1 Contractor

The Contractor is solely responsible for the management (planning, supervision and contract coordination), and construction (including all labor, equipment, materials and inspections) to meet requirements of this contract. For purposes of this contract, key Team Members for the CMc are defined as follows:

- a) Project Executive (principal of CMc firm)
- b) Project Coordinator (member of management with responsibility for this and perhaps other projects)
- c) Project Manager Pre-Construction Phase (overall design and construction experience, with substantial time commitment to this project)
- d) Architectural Review Coordinator
- e) Engineering Review Coordinators All disciplines.
- f) Major Consultants i.e. acoustics, security, courts, etc.
- g) Cost Estimating Staff
- h) CPM Analysts
- i) Value Engineering Coordinator
- j) Project Manager Construction Phase (may be same or different from Pre-Construction Phase Project Manager; primarily responsible for selection of and negotiation with sub-contractors)
- k) Construction Superintendent (overall responsibility for project construction and schedule)
- 1) Quality Control Superintendent (independent employee of CMc with charge from management to achieve construction quality)
- m) Project Engineer
- n) Construction Supervisors
- o) Testing Engineering firms and key individuals

Note: Any of the Team Members indicated above may be represented by the same individual/firm, except as noted in the description of contractor roles and responsibilities outlined in this RFP.

2.1.1. Management.

The CMc shall provide individuals in the capacities of CMc Construction Executive, Project Coordinator, Project Manager, Construction Superintendent, and Inspection/Testing Agent(s). The CMc Construction Executive, Project Coordinator, and Project Manager shall have legal authority to represent the CMc. The CMc's Project Manager shall be the single point of contact for coordinating with the Government. The CMc's Construction Superintendent shall coordinate construction work and associated contracts. Inspection and testing agents must certify delivery and functional/operating performance of contract work.

2.2. Architect-Engineer (A-E)

The Architect-Engineer shall provide required design services. The A-E may perform additional services for the Government during the construction phase such as technical consultation services and submittal/shop drawing review. The CMc assists in coordinating and conducting design reviews.

2.3. Contracting Officer (CO).

The Government's Contracting Officer (CO) has the authority to enter into, administer and/or terminate contracts and who may make related determinations and findings. The CO will designate to the Contractor in writing the roles and responsibilities of other Government officials as they relate to the execution of this contract. The CO for this project is

Ruth Cummings Heartland Region 6 – Project Management - 6PC General Services Administration 1500 East Bannister Road, Room 2135 Kansas City, MO 64131-3088 Telephone Number: (816) 823-2237

2.4. Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

The Contracting Officer's Representative may act for the CO within delegated authority limits. Unless otherwise noted, on behalf of the CO, the COR is responsible for the general administration and technical coordination of this project. The COR is the Government's point of contact for post award information exchange, design submission reviews, construction inspection/tests, and all administrative duties associated therewith. The COR for this project will be provided at a later date.

2.5. Project Manager (PM).

A representative from the GSA's Public Buildings Service will monitor contract/project progress, reporting directly to senior GSA management. The PM for this project is:

Don Distler
Heartland Region 6 – Project Management
General Services Administration
1500 East Bannister Road, Room 2135
Kansas City, MO 64131-3088
Telephone Number: (816) 823-5078

2.6. Construction Manager as Agent (CMa).

In support of the CO and COR, the Government may enter into a separate contract to obtain Construction Management services to review design development and construction estimates; monitor and perform construction inspections and tests; and assist the CO with modifications to the CMc contract. The CMa shall have access to all areas of the construction site, including Contractor construction office area. The CMa shall also have access to all construction drawings, files, records and test reports.

3. General Administration

3.1. Coordination Meetings.

In addition to regular meetings with the Government's COR and A-E, the Contractor shall conduct formal status briefings on a monthly basis to provide a management overview of contract development. Immediately after award, "mobilization" meetings shall be conducted to review contract requirements, address scheduling, introduce staff, and resolve questions.

3.2. Contract Coordination.

The Government may enter into the following additional contracts to support Government needs not included as part of this contract. The Contractor shall provide site/project access for these Government contract activities and coordinate this contract's work to not impede their execution. The Contractor shall maintain contact with the Government to establish/monitor the status of these contracts and shall represent their development within schedules.

3.2.1. Construction Management.

As indicated under Roles and Responsibilities, the Government may use a contract CMa to support its professional service needs. The CMc should anticipate daily contact with this CMa to review construction progress, including field inspection, witness of tests and other monitoring functions. See paragraph 2.6 of this Section.

3.2.2. Telecommunications.

The Government may provide some of its own telecommunications (voice and data) services within the building. The Government may also contract with other parties to have associated wiring and equipment installed. The Contractor shall allow work to proceed and provide clean, dry and secured storage for involved contractor(s). All telecommunication spaces (including main distribution frame room and communication wire closets) must be available 90 days prior to the scheduled completion date of the project.

3.2.3. Building Diagnostic Testing.

The Government may contract with public or private sector organizations to perform testing of building features/systems/materials in accordance the "Inspection of Construction" clause within Part 2 of this Volume.

3.2.4. Tenant Move-in.

The Government may establish contracts to move tenants into space accepted for beneficial occupancy.

3.2.5. Tenant Special Equipment Installations.

The Government may enter into contracts to provide special tenant finishes and equipment, including installation of computer equipment, communications systems, audio-visual systems and security systems. This work may precede final inspections and tests. The Contractor shall allow work to proceed and provide clean, dry and secured storage for involved contractor(s) up to 120 calendar days prior to the scheduled completion date of the project.

4. Contractor's Staff

4.1. Personnel Qualifications.

The Contractor shall exclusively utilize the Key Personnel named in the proposal to perform identified services. Key Personnel are identified and defined within subparagraph 2.1, Section 3 of this Volume. In the event that any personnel named in the technical proposal are unable to perform their duties due to death, illness, resignation from the Contractor's employ, the CO's request for removal, or similar reasons, the Contractor shall promptly submit to the CO, in writing, the name and qualifications of a proposed replacement with equal or superior qualifications. No substitution shall be made without prior approval of the CO. Any approved substitutions shall be made at no increase in contract price.

4.2. Qualifications Acceptance.

4.2.1. Acceptance.

The CO shall accept or reject personnel proposed by the Contractor. The Contractor shall make a timely and prompt resubmittal to provide other personnel required to replace any that are rejected by the CO, both at initial submittal or any subsequent rejection or substitution of personnel.

4.2.2 Removal.

The CO shall have the right to effect removal of any Contractor employee at any time during the duration of the contract if that employee is deemed to not be of the level of competence or ability required under the contract, or if said employee is for any other reason found to be unsuitable for the work. In such case, the Contractor shall promptly submit the name and qualifications of a replacement.

4.2.3. Further Documentation.

The Contractor shall provide further evidence or documentation of ability/suitability for their intended position if requested by the CO. At the CO's discretion, this may include submission of a detailed resume, work examples or evidence, oral interview, testing, or other appropriate means.

4.3. Failure to Provide Qualified Personnel.

Repeated failure or excessive delay by the Contractor to provide qualified personnel that meet project requirements and are acceptable to the Government may be deemed sufficient reason by the CO to terminate work as provided in the Termination for Default clause of this contract.

5. Record Documents

5.1. Record Drawings.

The Contractor shall maintain record drawings of all changes/deviations from the original design. The record drawings shall be secured/protected in a fire-resistant metal container or fire-rated cabinet whenever they are not being updated or used. A hard copy reproducible print of all changed drawings shall be made at least every four (4) months using the

CAD drafting system that produced the original design drawings. The Contractor shall maintain record drawings at the job site. When shop drawings indicate significant variations over design drawings, shop drawings may be incorporated as part of Record Drawings.

5.1.1. CAD Based System.

The Contractor shall provide all record notations on a CAD system, compatible with that which produced the original design drawings, a copy of the original computer generated CAD documents shall be provided to the CMC. The Contractor shall maintain two (2) back-up disc copies of all changes.

5.2. Record Specifications.

Maintain two copies of the project's design specifications updated to include all Government approved deviations and contract changes. Specification updates shall reference related record drawings and product data, where applicable.

5.3. Shop Drawings/Product Data.

Maintain two copies of all reviewed shop drawings, product/catalog data including required product certification, and laboratory test reports. Shop drawing and product data updates shall reference related change orders and associated record drawings and specifications. Upon construction completion, both copies of Shop Drawings/Product Data will be turned over to the Government. One set of the shop drawings submitted shall be a reproducible original that A-E will mark-up and return for Contractor to copy and distribute.

5.4. Warranties and Guarantees.

Submit specific warranties and guarantees, final certifications and similar documents at the time of acceptance/substantial completion.



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1. FAR 52.202-1 DEFINITIONS (JUL 2004)

- (a) When a solicitation provision or contract clause uses a word or term that is defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the word or term has the same meaning as the definition in FAR 2.101 in effect at the time the solicitation was issued, unless—
 - (1) The solicitation, or amended solicitation, provides a different definition;
 - (2) The contracting parties agree to a different definition;
- (3) The part, subpart, or section of the FAR where the provision or clause is prescribed provides a different meaning; or
 - (4) The word or term is defined in FAR Part 31, for use in the cost principles and procedures.
- (b) The FAR Index is a guide to words and terms the FAR defines and shows where each definition is located. The FAR Index is available via the Internet at http://www.acqnet.gov at the end of the FAR, after the FAR Appendix. (End of clause)

2. GSAR 552.236-70 DEFINITIONS (APR 1984)

The terms "Administration" and "Service" as used in this contract shall mean the General Services Administration (GSA) and the Public Buildings Service (PBS), respectively. (End of Clause)

3. GSAR 552.236-71 AUTHORITIES AND LIMITATIONS (APR 1984)

- (a) All work shall be performed under the general direction of the Contracting Officer, who alone shall have the power to bind the Government and to exercise the rights, responsibilities, authorities and functions vested in him by the contract documents, except that he shall have the right to designate authorized representatives to act for him. Wherever any provision in this contract specifies an individual (such as, but not limited to, Construction Engineer, Resident Engineer, Inspector or Custodian) or organization, whether Governmental or private, to perform any act on behalf of or in the interests of the Government, that individual or organization shall be deemed to be the Contracting Officer's authorized representative under this contract but only to the extent so specified. The Contracting Officer may, at any time during the performance of this contract, vest in any such authorized representatives additional power and authority to act for him or designate additional representatives, specifying the extent of their authority to act for him; a copy of each document vesting additional authority in an authorized representative or designating an additional authorized representative shall be furnished to the Contractor.
- (b) The Contractor shall perform the contract in accordance with any order (including but not limited to instruction, direction, interpretation, or determination) issued by an authorized representative in accordance with his authority to act for the Contracting Officer; but the Contractor assumes all the risk and consequences of performing the contract in accordance with any order (including but not limited to instruction, direction, interpretation, or determination) of anyone not authorized to issue such order. (End of Clause)

4. GSAR 552.203-71 RESTRICTION ON ADVERTISING (SEP 1999)

The Contractor shall not refer to this contract in commercial advertising or similar promotion in such a manner as to state or imply that the product or service provided is endorsed or preferred by the White House, the Executive Office of the President, or any other element of the Federal Government, or is considered by these entities to be superior to other products or services. Any advertisement by the contractor, including price-off coupons, that refers to a military resale activity shall contain the following statement: "This advertisement is neither paid for nor sponsored, in whole or in part, by any element of the United States Government." (End of Clause)

5. GSAR 552.252-6 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES (SEP 1999) (DEVIATION FAR 52.252-6)

- (a) Deviations to FAR Clauses. (1) This solicitation or contract indicates any authorized deviation to a Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause, if the clause is not published in the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 5).
- (2) This solicitation indicates any authorized deviation to a Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause that is published in the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation by the addition of "(DEVIATION (FAR clause no.))" after the date of the clause.
- (b) Deviations to GSAR Clauses. This solicitation indicates any authorized deviation to a General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation clause by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause.

(c) "Substantially the same as" clauses. Changes in wording of clauses prescribed for use on a "substantially the same as" basis are not considered deviations. (End of Clause)

6. GSAR 552.236-72 SPECIALIST (APR 1984)

The term "Specialist," as used in the contract specification, shall mean an individual or firm of established reputation (or, if newly organized, whose personnel have previously established a reputation in the same field), which is regularly engaged in, and which maintains a regular force of workmen skilled in either (as applicable) manufacturing or fabricating items required by the contract, installing items required by the contract, or otherwise performing work required by the contract. Where the contract specification requires installation by a specialist, that term shall also be deemed to mean either the manufacturer of the item, an individual or firm licensed by the manufacturer, or an individual or firm who will perform the work under the manufacturer's direct supervision. (End of Clause)

7. GSAR 552.236-82 SUBCONTRACTS (APR 1984)

- (a) Nothing contained in the contract shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the Government. The divisions or sections of the specifications are not intended to control the Contractor in dividing the work among subcontractors, or to limit the work performed by any trade.
- (b) The Contractor shall be responsible to the Government for acts and omissions of his own employees and of subcontractors and their employees. He shall also be responsible for the coordination of the work of the trades, subcontractors and suppliers.
- (c) The Government will not undertake to settle any differences between or among the Contractor, subcontractors, or suppliers. (End of Clause)

8. GSAR 552.211-71 STANDARD REFERENCES (SEP 1999)

- (a) All documents and publications (such as, but not limited to, manuals, handbooks, codes, standards and specifications) cited in this contract for the purpose of establishing requirements applicable to equipment, materials, or workmanship under this contract, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein as fully as if printed and bound with the specifications of this contract, in accordance with the following:
- (1) Wherever reference is made to Standard Specifications of the Public Buildings Service, Interim Federal Specifications, Interim Amendments to Federal Specifications, Interim Federal Standards, or Interim Amendments to Federal Standards, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements set out in the issue or edition identified in this contract.
- (2) Wherever reference is made to any such document other than those specified in subparagraph (1) above, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements set out in the edition specified in this contract, or if not specified, the latest edition or revision thereof, as well as the latest amendment or supplement thereto, in effect on the date of the solicitation on this project, except as modified by, as otherwise provided in, or as limited to type, class or grade, by the specifications of this contract.
- (b) Upon request the Contractor shall make available at the job site within a reasonable time, a copy of each trade manual and standard which is incorporated by reference in this contract and which governs quality and workmanship. (End of Clause)

9. FAR 52.236-7 PERMITS AND RESPONSIBILITIES (NOV 1991)

The Contractor shall, without additional expense to the Government, be responsible for obtaining any necessary licenses and permits, and for complying with any Federal, State, and municipal laws, codes, and regulations applicable to the performance of the work. The Contractor shall also be responsible for all damages to persons or property that occur as a result of the Contractor's fault or negligence. The Contractor shall also be responsible for all materials delivered and work performed until completion and acceptance of the entire work, except for any completed unit of work which may have been accepted under the contract. (End of Clause)

10. FAR 52.236-8 OTHER CONTRACTS (APR 1984)

The Government may undertake or award other contracts for additional work at or near the site of the work under this contract. The Contractor shall fully cooperate with the other contractors and with Government employees and shall carefully adapt scheduling and performing the work under this contract to accommodate the additional work, heeding any direction that may be provided by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or by Government employees. (End of Clause)

11. FAR 52.253-1 COMPUTER GENERATED FORMS (JAN 1991)

- (a) Any data required to be submitted on a Standard or Optional Form prescribed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) may be submitted on a computer generated version of the form, provided there is no change to the name, content or sequence of the data elements on the form, and provided the form carries the Standard or Optional Form number and edition date.
- (b) Unless prohibited by agency regulations, any data required to be submitted on an agency unique form prescribed by an agency supplement to the FAR may be submitted on a computer generated version of the form provided there is no change to the name, content, or sequence of the data elements on the form and provided the form carries the agency form number and edition date.
- (c) If the Contractor submits a computer generated version of a form that is different than the required form, then the rights and obligations of the parties will be determined based on the content of the required form. (End of Clause)

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12. FAR 52.203-3 GRATUITIES (APR 1984)

- (a) The right of the Contractor to proceed may be terminated by written notice if, after notice and hearing, the agency head or a designee determines that the Contractor, its agent, or another representative--
- (1) Offered or gave a gratuity (e.g., an entertainment or gift) to an officer, official, or employee of the Government; and
 - (2) Intended, by the gratuity, to obtain a contract or favorable treatment under a contract.
 - (b) The facts supporting this determination may be reviewed by any court having lawful jurisdiction.
 - (c) If this contract is terminated under paragraph (a) above, the Government is entitled--
- (1) To pursue the same remedies as in a breach of the contract; and
- (2) In addition to any other damages provided by law, to exemplary damages of not less than 3 nor more than 10 times the cost incurred by the Contractor in giving gratuities to the person concerned, as determined by the agency head or a designee. (This subparagraph (c)(2) is applicable only if this contract uses money appropriated to the Department of Defense.)
- (d) The rights and remedies of the Government provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract. (End of Clause)

13. FAR 52.203-6 RESTRICTIONS ON SUBCONTRACTOR SALES TO THE GOVERNMENT (SEP 2006)

- (a) Except as provided in (b) of this clause, the Contractor shall not enter into any agreement with an actual or prospective subcontractor, nor otherwise act in any manner, which has or may have the effect of restricting sales by such subcontractors directly to the Government of any item or process (including computer software) made or furnished by the subcontractor under this contract or under any follow-on production contract.
- (b) The prohibition in (a) of this clause does not preclude the Contractor from asserting rights that are otherwise authorized by law or regulation.
- (c) The Contractor agrees to incorporate the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts under this contract which exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. (End of Clause)

Alternate I (Oct 1995). As prescribed in 3.503-2, substitute the following paragraph in place of paragraph (b) of the basic clause:

(b) The prohibition in paragraph (a) of this clause does not preclude the Contractor from asserting rights that are otherwise authorized by law or regulation. For acquisitions of commercial items, the prohibition in paragraph (a) applies only to the extent that any agreement restricting sales by subcontractors results in the Federal Government being treated differently from any other prospective purchaser for the sale of the commercial item(s).

14. FAR 52.203-5 COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor warrants that no person or agency has been employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a contingent fee, except a bona fide employee or agency. For breach or violation of this warranty, the Government shall have the right to annul this contract without liability or, in its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of the contingent fee.

(b) "Bona fide agency," as used in this clause, means an established commercial or selling agency maintained by a contractor for the purpose of securing business, that neither exerts nor proposes to exert improper influence to solicit or obtain Government contracts nor holds itself out as being able to obtain any Government contract or contracts through improper influence. "Bona fide employee," as used in this clause, means a person, employed by a contractor and subject to the contractor's supervision and control as to time, place, and manner of performance, who neither exerts nor proposes to exert improper influence to solicit or obtain Government contracts nor holds out as being able to obtain any Government contract or contracts through improper influence. "Contingent fee," as used in this clause, means any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee that is contingent upon the success that a person or concern has in securing a Government contract. "Improper influence," as used in this clause, means any influence that induces or tends to induce a Government employee or officer to give consideration or to act regarding a Government contract on any basis other than the merits of the matter. (End of Clause)

15. FAR 52.203-7 ANTI-KICKBACK PROCEDURES (JUL 1995)

- (a) Definitions. "Kickback," as used in this clause, means any money, fee, commission, credit, gift, gratuity, thing of value, or compensation of any kind which is provided, directly or indirectly, to any prime Contractor, prime Contractor employee, subcontractor, or subcontractor employee for the purpose of improperly obtaining or rewarding favorable treatment in connection with a prime contract or in connection with a subcontract relating to a prime contract. "Person," as used in this clause, means a corporation, partnership, business association of any kind, trust, joint-stock company, or individual. "Prime contract," as used in this clause, means a contract or contractual action entered into by the United States for the purpose of obtaining supplies, materials, equipment, or services of any kind. "Prime Contractor," as used in this clause, means a person who has entered into a prime contract with the United States. "Prime Contractor employee," as used in this clause, means any officer, partner, employee, or agent of a prime Contractor. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, means a contract or contractual action entered into by a prime Contractor or subcontractor for the purpose of obtaining supplies, materials, equipment, or services of any kind under a prime contract. "Subcontractor," as used in this clause, (1) means any person, other than the prime Contractor, who offers to furnish or furnishes any supplies, materials, equipment, or services of any kind under a prime contract or a subcontract entered into in connection with such prime contract, and (2) includes any person who offers to furnish or furnishes general supplies to the prime Contractor or a higher tier subcontractor. "Subcontractor employee," as used in this clause, means any officer, partner, employee, or agent of a subcontractor.
 - (b) The Anti-Kickback Act of 1986 (41 U.S.C. 51-58) (the Act), prohibits any person from --
 - (1) Providing or attempting to provide or offering to provide any kickback;
 - (2) Soliciting, accepting, or attempting to accept any kickback; or
- (3) Including, directly or indirectly, the amount of any kickback in the contract price charged by a prime Contractor to the United States or in the contract price charged by a subcontractor to a prime Contractor or higher tier subcontractor.
- (c)(1) The Contractor shall have in place and follow reasonable procedures designed to prevent and detect possible violations described in paragraph (b) of this clause in its own operations and direct business relationships.
- (2) When the Contractor has reasonable grounds to believe that a violation described in paragraph (b) of this clause may have occurred, the Contractor shall promptly report in writing the possible violation. Such reports shall be made to the inspector general of the contracting agency, the head of the contracting agency if the agency does not have an inspector general, or the Department of Justice.
- (3) The Contractor shall cooperate fully with any Federal agency investigating a possible violation described in paragraph (b) of this clause.
- (4) Regardless of the contract tier at which a kickback was provided, accepted, or charged under the contract in violation of paragraph (b) of this clause, the Contracting Officer may --
 - (i) Offset the amount of the kickback against any monies owed by the United States under this

contract and/or

(ii) Direct that the Contractor withhold from sums owed the subcontractor, the amount of the kickback. The Contracting Officer may order that monies withheld under subdivision (c)(4)(ii) of this clause be paid over to the Government unless the Government has already offset those monies under subdivision (c)(4)(i) of this clause. In the latter case, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer when the monies are withheld.

(5) The Contractor agrees to incorporate the substance of this clause, including this subparagraph (c)(5), in all subcontracts under this contract which exceed \$100,000. (End of Clause)

16. FAR 52.203-8 CANCELLATION, RESCISSION, AND RECOVERY OF FUNDS FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY (JAN 1997)

- (a) If the Government receives information that a contractor or person has engaged in conduct constituting a violation of subsection (a), (b), (c), or (d) of Section 27 of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 423) (the Act), as amended by section 4304 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996 (Pub. L. 104-106), the Government may---
 - (1) Cancel the solicitation, if the contract has not yet been awarded or issued; or
 - (2) Rescind the contract with respect to which-
- (i) The Contractor or someone acting for the Contractor has been convicted for an offense where the conduct constitutes a violation of subsection 27 (a) or (b) of the Act for the purpose of either---
 - (A) Exchanging the information covered by such subsections for anything of value; or
- (B) Obtaining or giving anyone a competitive advantage in the award of a Federal agency procurement contract; or
- (ii) The head of the contracting activity has determined, based upon a preponderance of the evidence, that the Contractor or someone acting for the Contractor has engaged in conduct constituting an offense punishable under subsection 27(e)(1) of the Act.
- (b) If the Government rescinds the contract under paragraph (a) of this clause, the Government is entitled to recover, in addition to any penalty prescribed by law, the amount expended under the contract.
- (c) The rights and remedies of the Government specified herein are not exclusive, and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law, regulation, or under this contract. (End of clause)

17. FAR 52.203-10 PRICE OR FEE ADJUSTMENT FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY (JAN 1997)

- (a) The Government, at its election, may reduce the price of a fixed price type contract and the total cost and fee under a cost-type contract by the amount of profit or fee determined as set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause if the head of the contracting activity or designee determines that there was a violation of subsection 27 (a), (b) or (c) of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act, as amended (41 U.S.C. 423), as implemented in section 3.104 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.
 - (b) The price or fee reduction referred to in paragraph (a) of this clause shall be-
 - (1) For cost-plus-fixed-fee contracts, the amount of the fee specified in the contract at the time of award;
- (2) For cost-plus-incentive-fee contracts, the target fee specified in the contract at the time of award, notwithstanding any minimum fee or "fee floor" specified in the contract;
 - (3) For cost-plus-award-fee contracts--
 - (i) The base fee established in the contract at the time of contract award;
- (ii) If no base fee is specified in the contract, 30 percent of the amount of each award fee otherwise payable to the Contractor for each award fee evaluation period or at each award fee determination point.
 - (4) For fixed price incentive contracts, the Government may--
- (i) Reduce the contract target price and contract target profit both by an equal amount to the initial target profit specified in the contract at the time of contract award; or
- (ii) If an immediate adjustment to the contract target price and contract target profit would have a significant adverse impact on the incentive price revision relationship under the contract, or adversely affect the contract financing provisions, the Contracting Officer may defer such adjustment until establishment of the total final price of the contract. The total final price established in accordance with the incentive price revisions of the contract shall be reduced by an amount equal to the initial target profit specified in the contract at the time of contract award and such reduced price shall be the total final contract price.
- (5) For firm-fixed-price contracts, by 10 percent of the initial contract price or a profit amount determined by the Contracting Officer from records or documents in existence prior to the date of the contract award.
- (c) The Government may, at its election, reduce a prime contractor's price or fee in accordance with the procedures of paragraph (b) of this clause for violations of the Act by its subcontractors by an amount not to exceed the amount of profit or fee reflected in the subcontract at the time the subcontract was first definitely priced.
- (d) In addition to the remedies in paragraphs (a) and (c) of this clause, the Government may terminate this contract for default. The rights and remedies of the Government specified herein are not exclusive, and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract. (End of Clause)

18. FAR 52.203-12 LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (SEPT 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Agency" means "executive agency" as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 2.101.

"Covered Federal action" means any of the following actions:

- (1) Awarding any Federal contract.
- (2) Making any Federal grant.
- (3) Making any Federal loan.
- (4) Entering into any cooperative agreement.
- (5) Extending, continuing, renewing, amending, or modifying any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

"Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" have the meaning provided in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b) and include Alaskan Natives.

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action.

"Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government.

"Officer or employee of an agency" includes the following individuals who are employed by an agency:

- (1) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under Title 5, United States Code, including a position under a temporary appointment.
 - (2) A member of the uniformed services, as defined in subsection 101(3), Title 37, United States Code.
 - (3) A special Government employee, as defined in section 202, Title 18, United States Code.
- (4) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Title 5, United States Code, appendix 2.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, State, and local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit, or not for profit. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization eligible to receive Federal contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or loans from an agency, but only with respect to expenditures by such tribe or organization that are made for purposes specified in paragraph (b) of this clause and are permitted by other Federal law.

"Reasonable compensation" means, with respect to a regularly employed officer or employee of any person, compensation that is consistent with the normal compensation for such officer or employee for work that is not furnished to, not funded by, or not furnished in cooperation with the Federal Government.

"Reasonable payment" means, with respect to professional and other technical services, a payment in an amount that is consistent with the amount normally paid for such services in the private sector.

"Recipient" includes the Contractor and all subcontractors. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization eligible to receive Federal contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or loans from an agency, but only with respect to expenditures by such tribe or organization that are made for purposes specified in paragraph (b) of this clause and *are* permitted by other Federal law.

"Regularly employed" means, with respect to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, an officer or employee who is employed by such person for at least 130 working days within 1 year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for receipt of such contract. An officer or employee who is employed by such person for less than 130 working days within 1 year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person shall be considered to be regularly employed as soon as he or she is employed by such person for 130 working days.

"State" means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, or an outlying area of the United States, an agency or instrumentality of a State, and multi-State, regional, or interstate entity having governmental duties and powers.

(b) *Prohibition*. 31 U.S.C. 1352 prohibits a recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement from using appropriated funds to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal actions. In accordance with 31 U.S.C. 1352 the Contractor shall not use appropriated funds to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a

Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the award of this contractor the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this contract.

(1) The term appropriated funds does not include profit or fee from a covered Federal action.

- (2) To the extent the Contractor can demonstrate that the Contractor has sufficient monies, other than Federal appropriated funds, the Government will assume that these other monies were spent for any influencing activities that would be unallowable if paid for with Federal appropriated funds.
 - (c) Exceptions. The prohibition in paragraph (b) of this clause does not apply under the following conditions:

(1) Agency and legislative liaison by Contractor employees.

(i) Payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of the Contractor if the payment is for agency and legislative liaison activities not directly related to this contract. For purposes of this paragraph, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.

(ii) Participating with an agency in discussions that are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered

Federal action, but that concern-

(A) The qualities and characteristics (including individual demonstrations) of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; or

(B) The application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(iii) Providing prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;

(iv) Participating in technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official

submission; and

(v) Making capability presentations prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Pub. L. 95-507, and subsequent amendments.

(2) Professional and technical services.

- (i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.
- (ii) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.

(iii) As used in paragraph (c)(2) of this clause, "professional and technical services" are limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline (for examples, see FAR 3.803(a)(2)(iii)).

(iv) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation and any other requirements in the actual award documents.

(3) Only those communications and services expressly authorized by paragraphs (c)(1) and (2) of this clause are permitted.

(d) Disclosure.

(1) If the Contractor did not submit OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, with its offer, but registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have subsequently made a lobbying contact on behalf of the Contractor with respect to this contract, the Contractor shall complete and submit OMB Standard Form LLL to provide the name of the lobbying registrants, including the individuals performing the services.

(2) If the Contractor did submit OMB Standard Form LLL disclosure pursuant to paragraph (d) of the provision at FAR 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions, and a change occurs that affects Block 10 of the OMB Standard Form LLL (name and address of lobbying registrant or individuals performing services), the Contractor shall, at the end of the calendar quarter in which the change occurs, submit to the Contracting Officer within 30 days an updated disclosure using OMB Standard Form LLL.

(e) Penalties.

(1) Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (b) of this clause or who fails to file or amend the disclosure to be filed or amended by paragraph (d) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as

provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.

(2) Contractors may rely without liability on the representation made by their subcontractors in the certification

and disclosure form.

- (f) Cost allowability. Nothing in this clause makes allowable or reasonable any costs which would otherwise be unallowable or unreasonable. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any other provision.
 - (g) Subcontracts.
- (1) The Contractor shall obtain a declaration, including the certification and disclosure in paragraphs (c) and (d) of the provision at FAR <u>52.203-11</u>, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions, from each person requesting or receiving a subcontract exceeding \$100,000 under this contract. The Contractor or subcontractor that awards the subcontract shall retain the declaration.
- (2) A copy of each subcontractor disclosure form (but not certifications) shall be forwarded from tier to tier until received by the prime Contractor. The prime Contractor shall, at the end of the calendar quarter in which the disclosure form is submitted by the subcontractor, submit to the Contracting Officer within 30 days a copy of all disclosures. Each subcontractor certification shall be retained in the subcontract file of the awarding Contractor.
- (3) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (g), in any subcontract exceeding \$100,000. (End of clause)

19. 52.203-13 Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Dec 2007)

(a) Definition.

"United States," as used in this clause, means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

(b) Code of business ethics and conduct.

- (1) Within 30 days after contract award, unless the Contracting Officer establishes a longer time period, the Contractor shall—
 - (i) Have a written code of business ethics and conduct; and
 - (ii) Provide a copy of the code to each employee engaged in performance of the contract.
 - (2) The Contractor shall promote compliance with its code of business ethics and conduct.
- (c) Awareness program and internal control system for other than small businesses. This paragraph (c) does not apply if the Contractor has represented itself as a small business concern pursuant to the award of this contract. The Contractor shall establish within 90 days after contract award, unless the Contracting Officer establishes a longer time period—
 - (1) An ongoing business ethics and business conduct awareness program; and

(2) An internal control system.

- (i) The Contractor's internal control system shall-
 - (A) Facilitate timely discovery of improper conduct in connection with Government contracts; and
 - (B) Ensure corrective measures are promptly instituted and carried out.
- (ii) For example, the Contractor's internal control system should provide for-
- `(A) Periodic reviews of company business practices, procedures, policies, and internal controls for compliance with the Contractor's code of business ethics and conduct and the special requirements of Government contracting;
- (B) An internal reporting mechanism, such as a hotline, by which employees may report suspected instances of improper conduct, and instructions that encourage employees to make such reports;
 - (C) Internal and/or external audits, as appropriate; and
 - (D) Disciplinary action for improper conduct.
- (d) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in subcontracts that have a value in excess of \$5,000,000 and a performance period of more than 120 days, except when the subcontract—
 - (1) Is for the acquisition of a commercial item; or
 - (2) Is performed entirely outside the United States. (End of clause)

20. 52.203-14 Display of Hotline Poster(s). (Dec 2007)

(a) Definition.

"United States," as used in this clause, means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

- (b) Display of fraud hotline poster(s). Except as provided in paragraph (c)—
- (1) During contract performance in the United States, the Contractor shall prominently display in common work areas within business segments performing work under this contract and at contract work sites—
- (i) Any agency fraud hotline poster or Department of Homeland Security (DHS) fraud hotline poster identified in paragraph (b)(3) of this clause; and
 - (ii) Any DHS fraud hotline poster subsequently identified by the Contracting Officer.
- (2) Additionally, if the Contractor maintains a company website as a method of providing information to employees, the Contractor shall display an electronic version of the poster(s) at the website.
 - (3) Any required posters may be obtained as follows:

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(Contracting Officer shall insert—

Poster(s)

- (i) Appropriate agency name(s) and/or title of applicable Department of Homeland Security fraud hotline poster); and
 - (ii) The website(s) or other contact information for obtaining the poster(s).)
- (c) If the Contractor has implemented a business ethics and conduct awareness program, including a reporting mechanism, such as a hotline poster, then the Contractor need not display any agency fraud hotline posters as required in paragraph (b) of this clause, other than any required DHS posters.
- (d) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts that exceed \$5,000,000, except when the subcontract—
 - (1) Is for the acquisition of a commercial item; or
 - (2) Is performed entirely outside the United States. (End of clause)

BONDS AND INSURANCE

21. FAR 52.228-1 BID GUARANTEE (SEP 1996)

- (a) Failure to furnish a bid guarantee in the proper form and amount, by the time set for opening of bids, may be cause for rejection of the bid.
- (b) The bidder shall furnish a bid guarantee in the form of a firm commitment, e.g., bid bond supported by good and sufficient surety or sureties acceptable to the Government, postal money order, certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or, under Treasury Department regulations, certain bonds or notes of the United States. The Contracting Officer will return bid guarantees, other than bid bonds, (1) to unsuccessful bidders as soon as practicable after the opening of bids, and (2) to the successful bidder upon execution of contractual documents and bonds (including any necessary coinsurance or reinsurance agreements), as required by the bid as accepted.
 - (c) The amount of the bid guarantee shall be 20% of the bid price or \$3,000,000, whichever is less.
- (d) If the successful bidder, upon acceptance of its bid by the Government within the period specified for acceptance, fails to execute all contractual documents or furnish executed bond(s) within 10 days after receipt of the forms by the bidder, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract for default.
- (e) In the event the contract is terminated for default, the bidder is liable for any cost of acquiring the work that exceeds the amount of its bid, and the bid guarantee is available to offset the difference. (End of Clause)

22. FAR 52.228-15 PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS — CONSTRUCTION (NOV 2006)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Original contract price" means the award price of the contract; or, for requirements contracts, the price payable for the estimated total quantity; or, for indefinite-quantity contracts, the price payable for the specified minimum quantity. Original contract price does not include the price of any options, except those options exercised at the time of contract award.

- (b) Amount of required bonds. Unless the resulting contract price is \$100,000 or less, the successful offeror shall furnish performance and payment bonds to the Contracting Officer as follows:
- (1) Performance bonds (Standard Form 25). The penal amount of performance bonds at the time of contract award shall be 100 percent of the original contract price.

- (2) Payment Bonds (Standard Form 25-A). The penal amount of payment bonds at the time of contract award shall be 100 percent of the original contract price.
 - (3) Additional bond protection.
- (i) The Government may require additional performance and payment bond protection if the contract price is increased. The increase in protection generally will equal 100 percent of the increase in contract price.
- (ii) The Government may secure the additional protection by directing the Contractor to increase the penal amount of the existing bond or to obtain an additional bond.
- (c) Furnishing executed bonds. The Contractor shall furnish all executed bonds, including any necessary reinsurance agreements, to the Contracting Officer, within the time period specified in the Bid Guarantee provision of the solicitation, or otherwise specified by the Contracting Officer, but in any event, before starting work.
- (d) *Surety or other security for bonds*. The bonds shall be in the form of firm commitment, supported by corporate sureties whose names appear on the list contained in Treasury Department Circular 570, individual sureties, or by other acceptable security such as postal money order, certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or, in accordance with Treasury Department regulations, certain bonds or notes of the United States. Treasury Circular 570 is published in the *Federal Register* or may be obtained from the:

U.S. Department of the Treasury
Financial Management Service
Surety Bond Branch
3700 East West Highway, Room 6F01
Hyattsville, MD 20782.
Or via the internet at http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/.

(e) Notice of subcontractor waiver of protection (40 U.S.C. 3133(c)). Any waiver of the right to sue on the payment bond is void unless it is in writing, signed by the person whose right is waived, and executed after such person has first furnished labor or material for use in the performance of the contract. (End of clause)

23. FAR 52.228-11 PLEDGES OF ASSETS (FEB 1992)

- (a) Offerors shall obtain from each person acting as an individual surety on a bid guarantee, a performance bond, or a payment bond
 - (1) Pledge of assets; and
 - (2) Standard Form 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety.
 - (b) Pledges of assets from each person acting as an individual surety shall be in the form of
- (1) Evidence of an escrow account containing cash, certificates of deposit, commercial or Government securities, or other assets described in FAR 28.203-2 (except see 28.203-2(b)(2) with respect to Government sureties held in book entry form) and/or;
 - (2) A recorded lien on real estate. The offeror will be required to provide
- (i) Evidence of title in the form of a certificate of title prepared by a title insurance company approved by the United States Department of Justice. This title evidence must show fee simple title vested in the surety along with any concurrent owners; whether any real estate taxes are due and payable; and any recorded encumbrances against the property, including the lien filed in favor of the Government as required by FAR 28.203-3(d);
 - (ii) Evidence of the amount due under any encumbrance shown in the evidence of title;
- (iii) A copy of the current real estate tax assessment of the property or a current appraisal dated no earlier than 6 months prior to the date of the bond, prepared by a professional appraiser who certifies that the appraisal has been conducted in accordance with the generally accepted appraisal standards as reflected in the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, as promulgated by the Appraisal Foundation. (End of Clause)

24. FAR 52.228-12 PROSPECTIVE SUBCONTRACTOR REQUESTS FOR BONDS (OCT 1995)

In accordance with Section 806(a)(3) of Pub. L. 102-190, as amended by Sections 2091 and 8105 of Pub. L. 103-355, upon the request of a prospective subcontractor or supplier offering to furnish labor or material for the performance of this contract for which a payment bond has been furnished to the Government pursuant to the Miller Act, the Contractor shall promptly provide a copy of such payment bond to the requester. (End of Clause)

25. FAR 52.228-2 ADDITIONAL BOND SECURITY (OCT 1997)

The Contractor shall promptly furnish additional security required to protect the Government and persons supplying labor or materials under this contract if--

- (a) Any surety upon any bond, or issuing financial institution for other security, furnished with this contract becomes unacceptable to the Government;
 - (b) Any surety fails to furnish reports on its financial condition as required by the Government;

(c) The contract price is increased so that the penal sum of any bond becomes inadequate in the opinion of the Contracting Officer; or

(d) An irrevocable letter of credit (ILC) used as security will expire before the end of the period of required security. If the Contractor does not furnish an acceptable extension or replacement ILC, or other acceptable substitute, at least 30 days before an ILC's scheduled expiration, the Contracting Officer has the right to immediately draw on the ILC. (End of Clause)

26. FAR 52.228-5 INSURANCE--WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION (JAN 1997)

- (a) The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance period of this contract at least the kinds and minimum amounts of insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract.
- (b) Before commencing work under this contract, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing that the required insurance has been obtained. The policies evidencing required insurance shall contain an endorsement to the effect that any cancellation or any material change adversely affecting the Government's interest shall not be

(1) for such period as the laws of the State in which this contract is to be performed prescribe, or (2) until 30 days after the insurer or the Contractor gives written notice to the Contracting Officer, whichever period is longer.

(c) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts under this contract that require work on a Government installation and shall require subcontractors to provide and maintain the insurance required in the Schedule or elsewhere in the contract. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of all subcontractors' proof of required insurance, and shall make copies available to the Contracting Officer upon request. (End of Clause)

27. FAR 52.228-14 IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT (DEC 1999)

- (a) "Irrevocable letter of credit" (ILC), as used in this clause, means a written commitment by a federally insured financial institution to pay all or part of a stated amount of money, until the expiration date of the letter, upon presentation by the Government (the beneficiary) of a written demand therefore. Neither the financial institution nor the offeror/Contractor can revoke or condition the letter of credit.
- (b) If the offeror intends to use an ILC in lieu of a bid bond, or to secure other types of bonds such as performance and payment bonds, the letter of credit and letter of confirmation formats in paragraphs (e) and (f) of this clause shall be used.
- (c) The letter of credit shall be irrevocable, shall require presentation of no document other than a written demand, and the ILC (including confirming letter, if any), shall be issued/confirmed by an acceptable federally insured financial institution as provided in paragraph (d) of this clause, and ---

(1) If used as a bid guarantee, the ILC shall expire no earlier than 60 days after the close of the bid acceptance period;

- (2) If used as an alternative to corporate or individual sureties as security for a performance or payment bond, the offeror/Contractor may submit an ILC with an initial expiration date estimated to cover the entire period of performance for which financial security is required or may submit an ILC with an initial expiration date that is a minimum period of one year from the date of issuance. The ILC shall provide that, unless the issuer provides the beneficiary written notice of non-renewal at least 60 days in advance of the current expiration date, the ILC is automatically extended without amendment for one year from the expiration date, or any future expiration date, until the period of required coverage is completed and the Contracting Officer provides the financial institution with a written statement waiving the right to payment. The period of required coverage shall be:
 - (i) For contracts subject to the Miller Act, the later of-
 - (A) One year following the expected date of final payment;
 - (B) For performance bonds only, until completion of any warranty period;
 - (C) For payment bonds only, until resolution of all claims filed against the payment bond during the one-year period following final payment.
 - (ii) For contracts not subject to the Miller Act, the later of---
 - (A) 90 days following final payment; or
 - (B) For performance bonds only, until completion of any warranty period.

(d) Only federally insured financial institutions rated investment grade or higher shall issue or confirm the ILC. The offeror/Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer a credit rating that indicates the financial institution has the required rating(s) as of the date of issuance of the ILC. Unless the financial institution issuing the ILC had letter of credit business of at least \$25 Million in the past year, ILCs over \$5 Million must be confirmed by another acceptable financial institution that had letter of credit business of at least \$25 million in the past year. (e) The following format shall be used by the issuing financial institution to create an ILC:
[Issuing Financial Institution's Letterhead or Name and Address]
Issue Date IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT NO Account party's name Account party's address For Solicitation No(for reference only) TO: [U.S. Government Agency] [U.S. Government Agency's Address]
1. We hereby establish this irrevocable and transferable Letter of Credit in your favor for one or more drawings up to United States \$ This Letter of Credit is payable at [issuing financial institution's and, if any, confirming financial institution's] office at [issuing financial institution's address and, if any, confirming financial institution's address] and expires with our close of business on, or any automatically extended expiration date. 2. We hereby undertake to honor your or transferee's sight draft(s) drawn on the issuing or, if any, the confirming financial institution, for all or any part of this credit if presented with this Letter of Credit and confirmation, if any, at the office specified in paragraph 1 of this Letter of Credit on or before the expiration date or any automatically extended expiration date.
3. [This paragraph is omitted if used as a bid guarantee, and subsequent paragraphs are renumbered.] It is a condition of this Letter of Credit that it is deemed to be automatically extended without amendment for one year from the expiration date hereof, or any future expiration date, unless at least 60 days prior to any expiration date, we notify you or the transferee by registered mail, or other receipted means of delivery, that we elect not to consider this Letter of Credit renewed for any such additional period. At the time we notify you, we also agree to notify the account party (and confirming financial institution, if any) by the same means of delivery. 4. This Letter of Credit is transferable. Transfers and assignments of proceeds are to be effected without charge to either the beneficiary or the transferee/assignee of proceeds. Such transfer or assignment shall be only at
the written direction of the Government (the beneficiary) in a form satisfactory to the issuing financial institution and the confirming financial institution, if any. 5. This Letter of Credit is subject to the Uniform Customs and Practice (UCP) for Documentary Credits, 1993 Revision, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 500, and to the extent not inconsistent therewith, to the laws of [state of confirming financial institution, if any, otherwise state of issuing financial institution]. 6. If this credit expires during an interruption of business of this financial institution as described in Article 17 of the UCP, the financial institution specifically agrees to effect payment if this credit is drawn against within 30 days after the resumption of our business.
Sincerely,
[Issuing financial institution]
(f) The following format shall be used by the financial institution to confirm an ILC:
[Confirming Financial Institution's Letterhead or Name and Address] Date: Our Letter of Credit Advise Number

Beneficiary:[U.S. Government Agency] Issuing Financial Institution: Issuing Financial Institution's LC No.
Gentlemen: 1. We hereby confirm the above indicated Letter of Credit, the original of which is attached, issued by [name of issuing financial institution] for drawings of up to United States dollars/U.S. and expiring with our close of business on[the expiration date], or any automatically extended expiration date. 2. Draft(s) drawn under the Letter of Credit and this Confirmation are payable at our office located at
3. We hereby undertake to honor sight draft(s) drawn under and presented with the Letter of Credit and this Confirmation at our offices as specified herein. 4. [This paragraph is omitted if used as a bid guarantee, and subsequent paragraphs are renumbered.] It is a condition of this confirmation that it be deemed automatically extended without amendment for one year from the expiration date hereof, or any automatically extended expiration date, unless: (a) At least 60 days prior to any such expiration date, we shall notify the Contracting Officer, or the transferee and the issuing financial institution, by registered mail or other receipted means of delivery, that we elect not to consider this confirmation extended for any such additional period; or (b) The issuing financial institution shall have exercised its right to notify you or the transferee, the account party, and ourselves, of its election not to extend the expiration date and the Letter of Credit. 5. This confirmation is subject to the Uniform Customs and Practice (UCP) for Documentary Credits, 1993 Revision, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 500, and to the extent not inconsistent therewith, to the laws of [state of confirming financial institution]. 6. If this confirmation expires during an interruption of business of this financial institution as described in Article 17 of the UCP, we specifically agree to effect payment if this credit is drawn against within 30 days after the resumption of our business.
Sincerely,
[Confirming Financial Institution]
(g) The following format shall be used by the Contracting Officer for a sight draft to draw on the Letter of Credit:
SIGHT DRAFT
[City, State]
(Date)
[Name and address of financial institution]
Pay to the order of [Beneficiary Agency] the sum of United States \$ This draft is drawn under Irrevocable Letter of Credit No
[Beneficiary Agency] By:
(End of Clause)
28. GSAR 552.228-70 WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS (SEP 1999)

The Act of June 25, 1936, 49 Stat. 1938 (40 U.S.C. 290) authorizes the constituted authority of the several States to apply their workers' compensation laws to all lands and premises owned or held by the United States. (End of Clause)

SITE CONDITIONS

29. FAR 52.236-2 DIFFERING SITE CONDITIONS (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contractor shall promptly, and before the conditions are disturbed, give a written notice to the Contracting Officer of (1) subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site which differ materially from those indicated in this contract, or (2) unknown physical conditions at the site, of an unusual nature, which differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering in work of the character provided for in the contract.
- (b) The Contracting Officer shall investigate the site conditions promptly after receiving the notice. If the conditions do materially so differ and cause an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performing any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed as a result of the conditions, an equitable adjustment shall be made under this clause and the contract modified in writing accordingly.
- (c) No request by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment to the contract under this clause shall be allowed, unless the Contractor has given the written notice required; provided, that the time prescribed in (a) above for giving written notice may be extended by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) No request by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment to the contract for differing site conditions shall be allowed if made after final payment under this contract. (End of Clause)

30. FAR 52.236-3 SITE INVESTIGATION AND CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE WORK (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contractor acknowledges that it has taken steps reasonably necessary to ascertain the nature and location of the work, and that it has investigated and satisfied itself as to the general and local conditions which can affect the work or its cost, including but not limited to (1) conditions bearing upon transportation, disposal, handling, and storage of materials; (2) the availability of labor, water, electric power, and roads; (3) uncertainties of weather, river stages, tides, or similar physical conditions at the site; (4) the conformation and conditions of the ground; and (5) the character of equipment and facilities needed preliminary to and during work performance. The Contractor also acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the character, quality, and quantity of surface and subsurface materials or obstacles to be encountered insofar as this information is reasonably ascertainable from an inspection of the site, including all exploratory work done by the Government, as well as from the drawings and specifications made a part of this contract. Any failure of the Contractor to take the actions described and acknowledged in this paragraph will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the Government.
- (b) The Government assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor based on the information made available by the Government. Nor does the Government assume responsibility for any understanding reached or representation made concerning conditions which can affect the work by any of its officers or agents before the execution of this contract, unless that understanding or representation is expressly stated in this contract. (End of Clause)

31. GSAR 552.236-76 MEASUREMENTS (APR 1984)

All dimensions shown of existing work and all dimensions required for work that is to connect with work now in place, shall be verified by the Contractor by actual measurement of the existing work. Any discrepancies between the contract requirements and the existing conditions shall be referred to the Contracting Officer before any work affected thereby has been performed. (End of Clause)

SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS

32. FAR 52.211-1 AVAILABILITY OF SPECIFICATIONS LISTED IN THE GSA INDEX OF FEDERAL SPECIFICATIONS, STANDARDS, AND COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTIONS, FPMR Part 101-29 (AUG 1998)

(a) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to ---

GSA Federal Supply Service

Specifications Section, Suite 8100 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, SW Washington, DC 20407 Telephone (202) 619-8925 Facsimile (202) 619-8978

(b) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (a) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee. (End of Provision)

33. FAR 52.236-21 SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION (FEB 1997)

- (a) The Contractor shall keep on the work site a copy of the drawings and specifications and shall at all times give the Contracting Officer access thereto. Anything mentioned in the specifications and not shown on the drawings, or shown on the drawings and not mentioned in the specifications, shall be of like effect as if shown or mentioned in both. In case of difference between drawings and specifications, the specifications shall govern. In case of discrepancy in the figures, in the drawings, or in the specifications, the matter shall be promptly submitted to the Contracting Officer, who shall promptly make a determination in writing. Any adjustment by the Contractor without such a determination shall be at its own risk and expense. The Contracting Officer shall furnish from time to time such detailed drawings and other information as considered necessary, unless otherwise provided.
- (b) Wherever in the specifications or upon the drawings the words "directed", "required", "ordered", "designated", "prescribed", or words of like import are used, it shall be understood that the "direction", "requirement", "order", "designation", or "prescription", of the Contracting Officer is intended and similarly the words "approved", "acceptable", "satisfactory", or words of like import shall mean "approved by", or "acceptable to", or "satisfactory to" the Contracting Officer, unless otherwise expressly stated.
- (c) Where "as shown", "as indicated", "as detailed", or words of similar import are used, it shall be understood that the reference is made to the drawings accompanying this contract unless stated otherwise. The word "provided" as used herein shall be understood to mean "provide complete in place", that is "furnished and installed".
- (d) Shop drawings means drawings, submitted to the Government by the Contractor, subcontractor, or any lower tier subcontractor pursuant to a construction contract, showing in detail (1) the proposed fabrication and assembly of structural elements and (2) the installation (i.e., form, fit, and attachment details) of materials of equipment. It includes drawings, diagrams, layouts, schematics, descriptive literature, illustrations, schedules, performance and test data, and similar materials furnished by the contractor to explain in detail specific portions of the work required by the contract. The Government may duplicate, use, and disclose in any manner and for any purpose shop drawings delivered under this contract.
- (e) If this contract requires shop drawings, the Contractor shall coordinate all such drawings, and review them for accuracy, completeness, and compliance with contract requirements and shall indicate its approval thereon as evidence of such coordination and review. Shop drawings submitted to the Contracting Officer without evidence of the Contractor's approval may be returned for resubmission. The Contracting Officer will indicate an approval or disapproval of the shop drawings and if not approved as submitted shall indicate the Government's reasons therefore. Any work done before such approval shall be at the Contractor's risk. Approval by the Contracting Officer shall not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for any errors or omissions in such drawings, nor from responsibility for complying with the requirements of this contract, except with respect to variations described and approved in accordance with (f) below.
- (f) If shop drawings show variations from the contract requirements, the Contractor shall describe such variations in writing, separate from the drawings, at the time of submission. If the Contracting Officer approves any such variation, the Contracting Officer shall issue an appropriate contract modification, except that, if the variation is minor or does not involve a change in price or in time of performance, a modification need not be issued.
- (g) The Contractor shall submit to the Contracting Officer for approval four copies (unless otherwise indicated) of all shop drawings as called for under the various headings of these specifications. Three sets (unless otherwise indicated) of all shop drawings, will be retained by the Contracting Officer and one set will be returned to the Contractor. Upon completing the work under this contract, the Contractor shall furnish a complete set of all shop drawings as finally approved. These drawings shall show all changes and revisions made up to the time the equipment is completed and accepted. (End of Clause)

34. GSAR 552.236-77 SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS (SEP 1999)

The requirements of the clause entitled "Specifications and Drawings for Construction" at FAR 52.236-21, are supplemented as follows:

(a) In case of difference between small and large-scale drawings, the large-scale drawings shall govern. Schedules on any contract drawing shall take precedence over conflicting information on that or any other contract drawing. On any of the drawings where a portion of the work is detailed or drawn out and the remainder is shown in outline, the parts detailed or drawn out shall apply also to all other like portions of the work.

(b) Where the word "similar" occurs on the drawings, it shall have a general meaning and not be interpreted as being identical, and all details shall be worked out in relation to their location and their connection with other parts of

the work.

(c) Standard Details or Specification Drawings are applicable when listed, bound with the specifications, noted on the drawings or referenced elsewhere in the specifications. Where the notes on the drawings indicate modifications, such modifications shall govern.

(d) In case of difference between Standard Details or Specification Drawings and the specifications, the specifications will govern. In case of difference between the Standard Details or Specification Drawings and the

drawings prepared specifically for this contract, the later shall govern. (End of Clause)

35. GSAR 552.236-78 SHOP DRAWINGS, COORDINATION DRAWINGS, AND SCHEDULES (SEP 99)

The requirements, of the clause entitled "Specifications and Drawings for Construction" at FAR 52.236-21, are supplemented as follows:

(a) The Contractor shall submit shop drawings, coordination drawings, and schedules for approval as required by

the specifications or requested by the Contracting Officer as follows:

- (b) Shop drawings shall include fabrication, erection and setting drawings, schedule drawings, manufacturers' scale drawings, wiring and control diagrams, cuts or entire catalogs, pamphlets, descriptive literature, and performance and test data.
- (c) Drawings and schedules, other than catalogs, pamphlets and similar printed material, shall be submitted in reproducible form with two prints made by a process approved by the Contracting Officer. Upon approval, the reproducible form will be returned to the Contractor who shall then furnish the number of additional prints, not to exceed 10, required by the specifications. The Contractor shall submit shop drawings in catalog, pamphlet and similar printed form in a minimum of four copies plus as many additional copies as the Contractor may desire or need for his use or use by subcontractors.

(d) Before submitting shop drawings on the mechanical and electrical work, the Contractor shall submit and obtain the Contracting Officer's approval of such lists of mechanical and electrical equipment and materials as may be

required by the specifications.

(e) Each shop drawing or coordination drawing shall have a blank area 5 by 5 inches, located adjacent to the title block. The title block shall display the following:

Number and title of drawing

Date of drawing or revision

Name of project building or facility

Name of contractor and (if appropriate) name of subcontractor submitting drawing

Clear identity of contents and location on the work

Project title and contract number

- (f) Unless otherwise provided in this contract, or otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer, shop drawings, coordination drawings and schedules shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer, with a letter in triplicate, sufficiently in advance of construction requirements to permit no less than 10 working days for checking and appropriate action.
- (g) Approval of drawings and schedules will be general and shall not be construed as permitting any departure from the contract requirements, or as approving departures from full-size details furnished by the Contracting Officer. (End of Clause)

SCHEDULES

36. FAR 52.211-13 TIME EXTENSIONS (SEP 2000)

Time extensions for contract changes will depend upon the extent, if any, by which the changes cause delay in the completion of the various elements of construction. The change order granting the time extension may provide that the contract completion date will be extended only for those specific elements related to the changed work and that the remaining contract completion dates for all other portions of the work will not be altered. The change order also may provide an equitable readjustment of liquidated damages under the new completion schedule.

37. FAR 52.236-15 SCHEDULES FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contractor shall, within five days after the work commences on the contract or another period of time determined by the Contracting Officer, prepare and submit to the Contracting Officer for approval three copies of a practicable schedule showing the order in which the Contractor proposes to perform the work, and the dates on which the Contractor contemplates starting and completing the several salient features of the work (including acquiring materials, plant, and equipment). The schedule shall be in the form of a progress chart of suitable scale to indicate appropriately the percentage of work scheduled for completion by any given date during the period. If the Contractor fails to submit a schedule within the time prescribed, the Contracting Officer may withhold approval of progress payments until the Contractor submits the required schedule.
- (b) The Contractor shall enter the actual progress on the chart as directed by the Contracting Officer, and upon doing so shall immediately deliver three copies of the annotated schedule to the Contracting Officer. If, in the opinion of the Contracting Officer, the Contractor falls behind the approved schedule, the Contractor shall take steps necessary to improve its progress, including those that may be required by the Contracting Officer, without additional cost to the Government. In this circumstance, the Contracting Officer may require the Contractor to increase the number of shifts, overtime operations, days of work, and/or the amount of construction plant, and to submit for approval any supplementary schedule or schedules in chart form as the Contracting Officer deems necessary to demonstrate how the approved rate of progress will be regained.
- (c) Failure of the Contractor to comply with the requirements of the Contracting Officer under this clause shall be grounds for a determination by the Contracting Officer that the Contractor is not prosecuting the work with sufficient diligence to ensure completion within the time specified in the contract. Upon making this determination, the Contracting Officer may terminate the Contractor's right to proceed with the work, or any separable part of it, in accordance with the default terms of this contract. (End of Clause)

PERFORMANCE

38. FAR 52.236-1 PERFORMANCE OF WORK BY THE CONTRACTOR (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall perform on the site, and with its own organization, work equivalent to at least twelve percent (12%) of the total amount of work to be performed under the contract. This percentage may be reduced by a supplemental agreement to this contract if, during performing the work, the Contractor requests a reduction and the Contracting Officer determines that the reduction would be to the advantage of the Government. (End of Clause)

39. FAR 52.236-6 SUPERINTENDENCE BY THE CONTRACTOR (APR 1984)

At all times during performance of this contract and until the work is completed and accepted, the Contractor shall directly superintend the work or assign and have on the work a competent superintendent who is satisfactory to the Contracting Officer and has authority to act for the Contractor. (End of Clause)

40. FAR 52.236-5 MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP (APR 1984)

- (a) All equipment, material, and articles incorporated into the work covered by this contract shall be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended, unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract. References in the specifications to equipment, material, articles, or patented processes by trade name, make, or catalog number, shall be regarded as establishing a standard of quality and shall not be construed as limiting competition. The Contractor may, at its option, use any equipment, material, article, or process that, in the judgment of the Contracting Officer, is equal to that named in the specifications, unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall obtain the Contracting Officer's approval of the machinery and mechanical and other equipment to be incorporated into the work. When requesting approval, the Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer the name of the manufacturer, the model number, and other information concerning the performance, capacity, nature, and rating of the machinery and mechanical and other equipment. When required by this contract or by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall also obtain the Contracting Officer's approval of the material or articles which the Contractor contemplates incorporating into the work. When requesting approval, the Contractor shall provide full information concerning the material or articles. When directed to do so, the Contractor shall submit samples for

approval at the Contractor's expense, with all shipping charges prepaid. Machinery, equipment, material, and articles that do not have the required approval shall be installed or used at the risk of subsequent rejection.

(c) All work under this contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The Contracting Officer may require, in writing, that the Contractor remove from the work any employee the Contracting Officer deems incompetent, careless, or otherwise objectionable. (End of Clause)

41. GSAR 552.236-79 SAMPLES (APR 1984)

- (a) After the award of the contract, the Contractor shall furnish for the approval of the Contracting Officer samples required by the specifications or by the Contracting Officer. Samples shall be delivered to the Contracting Officer or to the Architect as specified or as directed. The Contractor shall prepay all shipping charges on samples. Materials or equipment for which samples are required shall not be used in the work until approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.
 - (b) Each sample shall have a label indicating:
 - (i) Name of project building or facility, project title and contract number
 - (ii) Name of Contractor and, if appropriate, name of subcontractor
 - (iii) Identification of material or equipment with specification requirement
 - (iv) Place of origin
- (v) Name of producer and brand (if any). Samples of finished materials shall have additional markings that will identify them under the finish schedules.
- (c) The Contractor shall mail under separate cover a letter in triplicate submitting each shipment of samples and containing the information required in paragraph (b) above. He shall enclose a copy of this letter with the shipment and send a copy to the Government representative on the project. Approval of a sample shall be only for the characteristics or use named in such approval and shall not be construed to change or modify any contract requirement. Substitutions will not be permitted unless they are approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) Approved samples not destroyed in testing will be sent to the Government representative at the project. Approved samples of hardware in good condition will be marked for identification and may be used in the work. Materials and equipment, incorporated in the work shall match the approved samples. Other samples not destroyed in testing or not approved will be returned to the Contractor at his expense if so requested at time of submission.
- (e) Failure of any material to pass the specified tests will be sufficient cause for refusal to consider, under this contract, any further samples of the same brand or make of that material or equipment which previously has proved unsatisfactory in service.
- (f) Samples of various materials or equipment delivered on the site or in place may be taken by the Government representative for testing. Samples failing to meet contract requirements will automatically void previous approvals of the items tested. The Contractor shall replace such materials or equipment found not to have met contract requirements, or there shall be a proper adjustment of the contract price as determined by the Contracting Officer.
- (g) Unless otherwise specified, when tests are required only one test of each sample proposed for use will be made at the expense of the Government. Samples which do not meet specification requirements will be rejected. Testing of additional samples will be made by the Government at the expense of the Contractor. (End of Clause)

42. FAR 52,236-17 LAYOUT OF WORK (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall lay out its work from Government-established base lines and bench marks indicated on the drawings, and shall be responsible for all measurements in connection with the layout. The Contractor shall furnish, at its own expense, all stakes, templates, platforms, equipment, tools, materials, and labor required to lay out any part of the work. The Contractor shall be responsible for executing the work to the lines and grades that may be established or indicated by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall also be responsible for maintaining and preserving all stakes and other marks established by the Contracting Officer until authorized to remove them. If such marks are destroyed by the Contractor or through its negligence before their removal is authorized, the Contracting Officer may replace them and deduct the expense of the replacement from any amounts due or to become due to the Contractor. (End of Clause)

43. FAR 52.236-14 AVAILABILITY AND USE OF UTILITY SERVICES (APR 1984)

(a) The Government shall make all reasonably required amounts of utilities available to the Contractor from existing outlets and supplies, as specified in the contract. Unless otherwise provided in the contract, the amount of each utility service consumed shall be charged to or paid for by the Contractor at prevailing rates charged to the

Government or, where the utility is produced by the Government, at reasonable rates determined by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall carefully conserve any utilities furnished without charge.

(b) The Contractor, at its expense and in a workmanlike manner satisfactory to the Contracting Officer, shall install and maintain all necessary temporary connections and distribution lines, and all meters required to measure the amount of each utility used for the purpose of determining charges. Before final acceptance of the work by the Government, the Contractor shall remove all the temporary connections, distribution lines, meters, and associated paraphernalia. (End of Clause)

44. GSAR 552.236-75 USE OF PREMISES (APR 1984)

- (a) If the premises are occupied, the Contractor, his subcontractors, and their employees shall comply with the regulations governing access to, operation of, and conduct while in or on the premises and shall perform the work required under this contract in such a manner as not to unreasonably interrupt or interfere with the conduct of Government business.
- (b) Any request received by the Contractor from occupants of existing buildings to change the sequence of work shall be referred to the Contracting Officer for determination.
- (c) If the premises are occupied, the Contractor, his subcontractors and their employees shall not have access to or be admitted into any building outside the scope of this contract except with official permission. (End of Clause)

45. FAR 52.236-10 OPERATIONS AND STORAGE AREAS (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contractor shall confine all operations (including storage of materials) on Government premises to areas authorized or approved by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall hold and save the Government, its officers and agents, free and harmless from liability of any nature occasioned by the Contractor's performance.
- (b) Temporary buildings (e.g., storage sheds, shops, offices) and utilities may be erected by the Contractor only with the approval of the Contracting Officer and shall be built with labor and materials furnished by the Contractor without expense to the Government. The temporary buildings and utilities shall remain the property of the Contractor and shall be removed by the Contractor at its expense upon completion of the work. With the written consent of the Contracting Officer, the buildings and utilities may be abandoned and need not be removed.
- (c) The Contractor shall, under regulations prescribed by the Contracting Officer, use only established roadways, or use temporary roadways constructed by the Contractor when and as authorized by the Contracting Officer. When materials are transported in prosecuting the work, vehicles shall not be loaded beyond the loading capacity recommended by the manufacturer of the vehicle or prescribed by any Federal, State, or local law or regulation. When it is necessary to cross curbs or sidewalks, the Contractor shall protect them from damage. The Contractor shall repair or pay for the repair of any damaged curbs, sidewalks, or roads. (End of Clause)

46. GSAR 552.236-80 HEAT (APR 1984)

Unless otherwise specified or unless already provided by the Government the Contractor shall;

- (a) Provide heat, as necessary to protect all work, materials, and equipment against injury from dampness and cold:
- (b) Protect, cover and/or heat as may be necessary, to produce and maintain a temperature of not less than 50 degrees Fahrenheit (1) in the concrete during the placing, setting and curing of concrete, and (2) in the plaster during the application, setting and curing of plaster; and
- (c) Provide heat as necessary in the area where work is to be done to provide the minimum temperature recommended by the supplier or manufacturer of the material, but in no case less than 50 degrees Fahrenheit, for a period beginning 10 days before placing of interior finishes and finish materials and continuing until completion or beneficial occupancy of the area, whichever is earlier. (End of Clause)

47. GSAR 552.236-74 WORKING HOURS (APR 1984)

- (a) It is contemplated that all work will be performed during the customary working hours of the trades involved unless otherwise specified in this contract. Work performed by the Contractor at his own volition outside such customary working hours shall be at no additional expense to the Government.
- (b) Any requests received by the Contractor from occupants of existing buildings to change the hours of work shall be referred to the Contracting Officer for determination. (End of Clause)

48. FAR 52.236-9 PROTECTION OF EXISTING VEGETATION, STRUCTURES, EQUIPMENT, UTILITIES, AND IMPROVEMENTS (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contractor shall preserve and protect all structures, equipment, and vegetation (such as trees, shrubs, and grass) on or adjacent to the work site, which are not to be removed and which do not unreasonably interfere with the work required under this contract. The Contractor shall only remove trees when specifically authorized to do so, and shall avoid damaging vegetation that will remain in place. If any limbs or branches of trees are broken during contract performance, or by the careless operation of equipment, or by workmen, the Contractor shall trim those limbs or branches with a clean cut and paint the cut with a tree-pruning compound as directed by the Contracting Officer.
- (b) The Contractor shall protect from damage all existing improvements and utilities (1) at or near the work site and (2) on adjacent property of a third party, the locations of which are made known to or should be known by the Contractor. The Contractor shall repair any damage to those facilities, including those that are the property of a third party, resulting from failure to comply with the requirements of this contract or failure to exercise reasonable care in performing the work. If the Contractor fails or refuses to repair the damage promptly, the Contracting Officer may have the necessary work performed and charge the cost to the Contractor. (End of Clause)

49. FAR 52.236-13 ACCIDENT PREVENTION (NOV 1991)

- (a) The Contractor shall provide and maintain work environments and procedures which will (1) safeguard the public and Government personnel, property, materials, supplies, and equipment exposed to Contractor operations and activities; (2) avoid interruptions of Government operations and delays in project completion dates; and (3) control costs in the performance of this contract.
- (b) For these purposes on contracts for construction or dismantling, demolition, or removal of improvements, the Contractor shall--

(1) Provide appropriate safety barricades, signs, and signal lights;

- (2) Comply with the standards issued by the Secretary of Labor at 29 CFR Part 1926 and 29 CFR Part 1910;
- and
 (3) Ensure that any additional measures the Contracting Officer determines to be reasonably necessary for the purposes are taken.
- (c) If this contract is for construction or dismantling, demolition or removal of improvements with any Department of Defense agency or component, the Contractor shall comply with all pertinent provisions of the latest version of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Safety and Health Requirements Manual, EM 385-1-1, in effect on the date of the solicitation.
- (d) Whenever the Contracting Officer becomes aware of any noncompliance with these requirements or any condition which poses a serious or imminent danger to the health or safety of the public or Government personnel, the Contracting Officer shall notify the Contractor orally, with written confirmation, and request immediate initiation of corrective action. This notice, when delivered to the Contractor or the Contractor's representative at the work site, shall be deemed sufficient notice of the noncompliance and that corrective action is required. After receiving the notice, the Contractor shall immediately take corrective action. If the Contractor fails or refuses to promptly take corrective action, the Contracting Officer may issue an order stopping all or part of the work until satisfactory corrective action has been taken. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any equitable adjustment of the contract price or extension of the performance schedule on any stop work order issued under this clause.
- (e) The Contractor shall insert this clause, including this paragraph (e), with appropriate changes in the designation of the parties, in subcontracts. (End of clause)

50. FAR 52.236-12 CLEANING UP (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall at all times keep the work area, including storage areas, free from accumulations of waste materials. Before completing the work, the Contractor shall remove from the work and premises any rubbish, tools, scaffolding, equipment, and materials that are not the property of the Government. Upon completing the work, the Contractor shall leave the work area in a clean, neat, and orderly condition satisfactory to the Contracting Officer. (End of Clause)

51. FAR 52.236-26 PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE (FEB 1995)

If the Contracting Officer decides to conduct a preconstruction conference, the successful offeror will be notified and will be required to attend. The Contracting Officer's notification will include specific details regarding the date, time and location of the conference, any need for attendance by subcontractors, and information regarding the items to be discussed. (End of Clause)

GOVERNMENT- FURNISHED PROPERTY

52. FAR 52.245-1 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY (JUN 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Acquisition cost" means the cost to acquire a tangible capital asset including the purchase price of the asset and costs necessary to prepare the asset for use. Costs necessary to prepare the asset for use include the cost of placing the asset in location and bringing the asset to a condition necessary for normal or expected use.

"Cannibalize" means to remove serviceable parts from one item of equipment in order to install them on another

item of equipment.

"Contractor-acquired property" means property acquired, fabricated, or otherwise provided by the Contractor for performing a contract, and to which the Government has title.

"Contractor inventory" means—

- (1) Any property acquired by and in the possession of a Contractor or subcontractor under a contract for which title is vested in the Government and which exceeds the amounts needed to complete full performance under the entire contract:
- (2) Any property that the Government is obligated or has the option to take over under any type of contract, e.g., as a result either of any changes in the specifications or plans thereunder or of the termination of the contract (or subcontract thereunder), before completion of the work, for the convenience or at the option of the Government; and

(3) Government-furnished property that exceeds the amounts needed to complete full performance under the

entire contract.

- (4) "Contractor's managerial personnel" means the Contractor's directors, officers, managers, superintendents, or equivalent representatives who have supervision or direction of-
 - (1) All or substantially all of the Contractor's business;
 - (2) All or substantially all of the Contractor's operation at any one plant or separate location; or

(3) A separate and complete major industrial operation.

"Demilitarization" means rendering a product unusable for, and not restorable to, the purpose for which it was designed or is customarily used.

"Discrepancies incident to shipment" means any differences (e.g., count or condition) between the items

documented to have been shipped and items actually received.

"Equipment" means a tangible asset that is functionally complete for its intended purpose, durable, nonexpendable, and needed for the performance of a contract. Equipment is not intended for sale, and does not ordinarily lose its identity or become a component part of another article when put into use.

"Government-furnished property" means property in the possession of, or directly acquired by, the Government and

subsequently furnished to the Contractor for performance of a contract.

"Government property" means all property owned or leased by the Government. Government property includes both Government-furnished and Contractor-acquired property.

"Material" means property that may be consumed or expended during the performance of a contract, component parts of a higher assembly, or items that lose their individual identity through incorporation into an end-item. Material does not include equipment, special tooling and special test equipment.

"Nonseverable" means property that cannot be removed after construction or installation without substantial loss of

value or damage to the installed property or to the premises where installed.

"Plant equipment" as used in this part, means personal property of a capital nature (including equipment, machine tools, test equipment, furniture, vehicles, and accessory and auxiliary items) for use in manufacturing supplies, in performing services, or for any administrative or general plant purpose. It does not include special tooling or special test equipment.

"Precious metals" means silver, gold, platinum, palladium, iridium, osmium, rhodium, and ruthenium.

"Property" means all tangible property, both real and personal.

"Property Administrator" means an authorized representative of the Contracting Officer appointed in accordance with agency procedures, responsible for administering the contract requirements and obligations relating to Government property in the possession of a Contractor.

"Provide" means to furnish, as in Government-furnished property, or to acquire, as in contractor-acquired property.

"Real property" means land and rights in land, ground improvements, utility distribution systems, and buildings and other structures. It does not include foundations and other work necessary for installing special tooling, special test equipment, or plant equipment.

"Sensitive property" means property potentially dangerous to the public safety or security if stolen, lost, or misplaced, or that shall be subject to exceptional physical security, protection, control, and accountability. Examples include weapons, ammunition, explosives, controlled substances, radioactive materials, hazardous materials or wastes, or

precious metals.

"Surplus property" means excess personal property not required by any Federal agency as determined by the Administrator of the General Services Administration (GSA).

(b) Property management.

(1) The Contractor shall have a system to manage (control, use, preserve, protect, repair and maintain) Government property in its possession. The system shall be adequate to satisfy the requirements of this clause. In doing so, the Contractor shall initiate and maintain the processes, systems, procedures, records, and methodologies necessary for effective control of Government property, consistent with voluntary consensus standards and/or industryleading practices and standards for Government property management except where inconsistent with law or regulation. During the period of performance, the Contractor shall disclose any significant changes to their property management system to the Property Administrator prior to implementation.

(2) The Contractor's responsibility extends from the initial acquisition and receipt of property, through stewardship, custody, and use until formally relieved of responsibility by authorized means, including delivery, consumption, expending, disposition, or via a completed investigation, evaluation, and final determination for lost, damaged, destroyed, or stolen property. This requirement applies to all Government property under the Contractor's accountability, stewardship, possession or control, including its vendors or subcontractors (see paragraph (f)(1)(v) of

this clause).

(3) The Contractor shall include the requirements of this clause in all subcontracts under which Government

property is acquired or furnished for subcontract performance.

(c) Use of Government property. The Contractor shall use Government property, either furnished or acquired under this contract, only for performing this contract, unless otherwise provided for in this contract or approved by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall not modify, cannibalize, or make alterations to Government property unless this contract specifically identifies the modifications, alterations or improvements as work to be performed.

(d) Government-furnished property.

- (1) The Government shall deliver to the Contractor the Government-furnished property described in this contract. The Government shall furnish related data and information needed for the intended use of the property. The warranties of suitability of use and timely delivery of Government-furnished property do not apply to property acquired or fabricated by the Contractor as contractor-acquired property and subsequently transferred to another contract with this Contractor.
- (2) The delivery and/or performance dates specified in this contract are based upon the expectation that the Government-furnished property will be suitable for contract performance and will be delivered to the Contractor by the dates stated in the contract.

(i) If the property is not delivered to the Contractor by the dates stated in the contract, the Contracting Officer shall, upon the Contractor's timely written request, consider an equitable adjustment to the contract.

(ii) In the event property is received by the Contractor, or for Government-furnished property after receipt and installation, in a condition not suitable for its intended use, the Contracting Officer shall, upon the Contractor's timely written request, advise the Contractor on a course of action to remedy the problem. Such action may include repairing, replacing, modifying, returning, or otherwise disposing of the property at the Government's expense. Upon completion of the required action(s), the Contracting Officer shall consider an equitable adjustment to the contract (see also paragraph (f)(1)(ii)(A) of this clause).

(iii) The Government may, at its option, furnish property in an "as-is" condition. The Contractor will be given the opportunity to inspect such property prior to the property being provided. In such cases, the Government makes no warranty with respect to the serviceability and/or suitability of the property for contract performance. Any repairs,

replacement, and/or refurbishment shall be at the Contractor's expense.

(i) The Contracting Officer may by written notice, at any time-

(A) Increase or decrease the amount of Government-furnished property under this contract;

(B) Substitute other Government-furnished property for the property previously furnished, to be furnished, or to be acquired by the Contractor for the Government under this contract; or

(C) Withdraw authority to use property.

- (ii) Upon completion of any action(s) under paragraph (d)(3)(i) of this clause, and the Contractor's timely written request, the Contracting Officer shall consider an equitable adjustment to the contract.
 - (e) Title to Government property.
- (1) The Government shall retain title to all Government-furnished property. Title to Government property shall not be affected by its incorporation into or attachment to any property not owned by the Government, nor shall Government property become a fixture or lose its identity as personal property by being attached to any real property.

(2) Fixed-price contracts.

- (i) All Government-furnished property and all property acquired by the Contractor, title to which vests in the Government under this paragraph (collectively referred to as "Government property"), are subject to the provisions of this clause.
- (ii) Title to each item of equipment, special test equipment and special tooling acquired by the Contractor for the Government under this contract shall pass to and vest in the Government when its use in performing this contract commences or when the Government has paid for it, whichever is earlier, whether or not title previously vested in the Government.
- (iii) If this contract contains a provision directing the Contractor to purchase material for which the Government will reimburse the Contractor as a direct item of cost under this contract—
- (A) Title to material purchased from a vendor shall pass to and vest in the Government upon the vendor's delivery of such material; and
 - (B) Title to all other material shall pass to and vest in the Government upon-

(1) Issuance of the material for use in contract performance;

- (2) Commencement of processing of the material or its use in contract performance; or
- (3) Reimbursement of the cost of the material by the Government, whichever occurs first.
- (3) Title under Cost-Reimbursement or Time-and-Material Contracts or Cost-Reimbursable contract line items under Fixed-Price contracts.
- (i) Title to all property purchased by the Contractor for which the Contractor is entitled to be reimbursed as a direct item of cost under this contract shall pass to and vest in the Government upon the vendor's delivery of such property.
- (ii) Title to all other property, the cost of which is reimbursable to the Contractor, shall pass to and vest in the Government upon—

(A) Issuance of the property for use in contract performance;

- (B) Commencement of processing of the property for use in contract performance; or
- (C) Reimbursement of the cost of the property by the Government, whichever occurs first.
- (iii) All Government-furnished property and all property acquired by the Contractor, title to which vests in the Government under this paragraph (e)(3)(iii) (collectively referred to as "Government property"), are subject to the provisions of this clause.
 - (f) Contractor plans and systems.
- (1) Contractors shall establish and implement property management plans, systems, and procedures at the contract, program, site or entity level to enable the following outcomes:
- (i) Acquisition of Property. The Contractor shall document that all property was acquired consistent with its

engineering, production planning, and material control operations.

- (ii) Receipt of Government Property. The Contractor shall receive Government property (document the receipt), record the information necessary to meet the record requirements of paragraph (f)(1)(iii)(A)(1) through (5) of this clause, identify as Government owned in a manner appropriate to the type of property (e.g., stamp, tag, mark, or other identification), and manage any discrepancies incident to shipment.
- (A) Government-furnished property. The Contractor shall furnish a written statement to the Property Administrator containing all relevant facts, such as cause or condition and a recommended course(s) of action, if overages, shortages, or damages and/or other discrepancies are discovered upon receipt of Government-furnished property.
- (B) Contractor-acquired property. The Contractor shall take all actions necessary to adjust for overages, shortages, damage and/or other discrepancies discovered upon receipt, in shipment of Contractor-acquired property from a vendor or supplier, so as to ensure the proper allocability and allowability of associated costs.
- (iii) Records of Government property. The Contractor shall create and maintain records of all Government property accountable to the contract, including Government-furnished and Contractor-acquired property.

- (A) Property records shall enable a complete, current, auditable record of all transactions and shall, unless otherwise approved by the Property Administrator, contain the following:
- (1) The name, part number and description, manufacturer, model number, and National Stock Number (if needed for additional item identification tracking and/or disposition).
 - (2) Quantity received (or fabricated), issued, and balance-on-hand.
 - (3) Unit acquisition cost.
 - (4) Unique-item identifier or equivalent (if available and necessary for individual item tracking).
 - (5) Unit of measure.
 - (6) Accountable contract number or equivalent code designation.
 - (7) Location.
 - (8) Disposition.
 - (9) Posting reference and date of transaction.
 - (10) Date placed in service.
- (B) Use of a Receipt and Issue System for Government Material. When approved by the Property Administrator, the Contractor may maintain, in lieu of formal property records, a file of appropriately cross-referenced documents evidencing receipt, issue, and use of material that is issued for immediate consumption.
- (iv) *Physical inventory*. The Contractor shall periodically perform, record, and disclose physical inventory results. A final physical inventory shall be performed upon contract completion or termination. The Property Administrator may waive this final inventory requirement, depending on the circumstances (*e.g.*, overall reliability of the Contractor's system or the property is to be transferred to a follow-on contract).
 - (v) Subcontractor control.
- (A) The Contractor shall award subcontracts that clearly identify assets to be provided and shall ensure appropriate flow down of contract terms and conditions (e.g., extent of liability for loss, damage, destruction or theft of Government property).
- (B) The Contractor shall assure its subcontracts are properly administered and reviews are periodically performed to determine the adequacy of the subcontractor's property management system.
- (vi) Reports. The Contractor shall have a process to create and provide reports of discrepancies; loss, damage, destruction, or theft; physical inventory results; audits and self-assessments; corrective actions; and other property related reports as directed by the Contracting Officer.
- (A) Loss, damage, destruction, or theft. Unless otherwise directed by the Property Administrator, the Contractor shall investigate and promptly furnish a written narrative of all incidents of loss, damage, destruction, or theft to the property administrator as soon as the facts become known or when requested by the Government.
 - (B) Such reports shall, at a minimum, contain the following information:
 - (1) Date of incident (if known).
- (2) The name, commercial description, manufacturer, model number, and National Stock Number (if applicable).
 - (3) Quantity.
 - (4) Unique Item Identifier (if available).
 - (5) Accountable Contract number.
 - (6) A statement indicating current or future need.
 - (7) Acquisition cost, or if applicable, estimated scrap proceeds, estimated repair or replacement costs.
 - (8) All known interests in commingled property of which the Government property is a part.
 - (9) Cause and corrective action taken or to be taken to prevent recurrence.
- (10) A statement that the Government will receive any reimbursement covering the loss, damage, destruction, or theft, in the event the Contractor was or will be reimbursed or compensated.
 - (11) Copies of all supporting documentation.
 - (12) Last known location.
- (13) A statement that the property did or did not contain sensitive or hazardous material, and if so, that the appropriate agencies were notified.
- (vii) Relief of stewardship responsibility. Unless the contract provides otherwise, the Contractor shall be relieved of stewardship responsibility for Government property when such property is—
- (A) Consumed or expended, reasonably and properly, or otherwise accounted for, in the performance of the contract, including reasonable inventory adjustments of material as determined by the Property Administrator; or a Property Administrator granted relief of responsibility for loss, damage, destruction or theft of Government property;

- (B) Delivered or shipped from the Contractor's plant, under Government instructions, except when shipment is to a subcontractor or other location of the Contractor; or
 - (C) Disposed of in accordance with paragraphs (j) and (k) of this clause.
 - (viii) Utilizing Government property.
- (A) The Contractor shall utilize, consume, move, and store Government Property only as authorized under this contract. The Contractor shall promptly disclose and report Government property in its possession that is excess to contract performance.
- (B) Unless otherwise authorized in this contract or by the Property Administrator the Contractor shall not commingle Government property with property not owned by the Government.
- (ix) *Maintenance*. The Contractor shall properly maintain Government property. The Contractor's maintenance program shall enable the identification, disclosure, and performance of normal and routine preventative maintenance and repair. The Contractor shall disclose and report to the Property Administrator the need for replacement and/or capital rehabilitation.
- (x) *Property closeout*. The Contractor shall promptly perform and report to the Property Administrator contract property closeout, to include reporting, investigating and securing closure of all loss, damage, destruction, or theft cases; physically inventorying all property upon termination or completion of this contract; and disposing of items at the time they are determined to be excess to contractual needs.
- (2) The Contractor shall establish and maintain Government accounting source data, as may be required by this contract, particularly in the areas of recognition of acquisitions and dispositions of material and equipment.
- (3) The Contractor shall establish and maintain procedures necessary to assess its property management system effectiveness, and shall perform periodic internal reviews and audits. Significant findings and/or results of such reviews and audits pertaining to Government property shall be made available to the Property Administrator.
 - (g) Systems analysis.
- (1) The Government shall have access to the contractor's premises and all Government property, at reasonable times, for the purposes of reviewing, inspecting and evaluating the Contractor's property management plan, systems, procedures, records, and supporting documentation that pertains to Government property.
- (2) Records of Government property shall be readily available to authorized Government personnel and shall be safeguarded from tampering or destruction.
- (3) Should it be determined by the Government that the Contractor's property management practices are inadequate or not acceptable for the effective management and/or control of Government property under this contract, and/or present an undue risk to the Government, the Contractor shall immediately take all necessary corrective actions as directed by the Property Administrator.
- (4) The Contractor shall ensure Government access to subcontractor premises, and all Government property located at subcontractor premises, for the purposes of reviewing, inspecting and evaluating the subcontractor's property management plan, systems, procedures, records, and supporting documentation that pertains to Government property.
 - (h) Contractor Liability for Government Property.
- (1) Unless otherwise provided for in the contract, the Contractor shall not be liable for loss, damage, destruction, or theft to the Government property furnished or acquired under this contract, except when any one of the following applies—
- (i) The risk is covered by insurance or the Contractor is otherwise reimbursed (to the extent of such insurance or reimbursement). The allowability of insurance costs shall be determined in accordance with 31.205-19.
- (ii) The loss, damage, destruction, or theft is the result of willful misconduct or lack of good faith on the part of the Contractor's managerial personnel. Contractor's managerial personnel, in this clause, means the Contractor's directors, officers, managers, superintendents, or equivalent representatives who have supervision or direction of all or substantially all of the Contractor's business; all or substantially all of the Contractor's operation at any one plant or separate location; or a separate and complete major industrial operation.
- (iii) The Contracting Officer has, in writing, revoked the Government's assumption of risk for loss, damage, destruction, or theft, due to a determination under paragraph (g) of this clause that the Contractor's property management practices are inadequate, and/or present an undue risk to the Government, and the Contractor failed to take timely corrective action. If the Contractor can establish by clear and convincing evidence that the loss, damage, destruction, or theft of Government property occurred while the Contractor had adequate property management practices or the loss, damage, destruction, or theft of Government property did not result from the Contractor's failure to maintain adequate property management practices, the Contractor shall not be held liable.

- (2) The Contractor shall take all reasonable actions necessary to protect the Government property from further loss, damage, destruction, or theft. The Contractor shall separate the damaged and undamaged Government property, place all the affected Government property in the best possible order, and take such other action as the Property Administrator directs.
- (3) The Contractor shall do nothing to prejudice the Government's rights to recover against third parties for any loss, damage, destruction, or theft of Government property.
- (4) Upon the request of the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall, at the Government's expense, furnish to the Government all reasonable assistance and cooperation, including the prosecution of suit and the execution of instruments of assignment in favor of the Government in obtaining recovery.
- (i) Equitable adjustment. Equitable adjustments under this clause shall be made in accordance with the procedures of the Changes clause. The right to an equitable adjustment shall be the Contractor's exclusive remedy and the Government shall not be liable to suit for breach of contract for the following:
 - (1) Any delay in delivery of Government-furnished property.
 - (2) Delivery of Government-furnished property in a condition not suitable for its intended use.
 - (3) An increase, decrease, or substitution of Government-furnished property.
 - (4) Failure to repair or replace Government property for which the Government is responsible.
- (j) Contractor inventory disposal. Except as otherwise provided for in this contract, the Contractor shall not dispose of Contractor inventory until authorized to do so by the Plant Clearance Officer.
 - (1) Scrap to which the Government has obtained title under paragraph (e) of this clause.
 - (i) Contractor with an approved scrap procedure.
- (A) The Contractor may dispose of scrap resulting from production or testing under this contract without Government approval. However, if the scrap requires demilitarization or is sensitive property, the Contractor shall submit the scrap on an inventory disposal schedule.
- (B) For scrap from other than production or testing the Contractor may prepare scrap lists in lieu of inventory disposal schedules (provided such lists are consistent with the approved scrap procedures), except that inventory disposal schedules shall be submitted for scrap aircraft or aircraft parts and scrap that—
 - (1) Requires demilitarization;
 - (2) Is a classified item;
 - (3) Is generated from classified items;
 - (4) Contains hazardous materials or hazardous wastes;
 - (5) Contains precious metals; or
 - (6) Is dangerous to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- (ii) Contractor without an approved scrap procedure. The Contractor shall submit an inventory disposal schedule for all scrap. The Contractor may not dispose of scrap resulting from production or testing under this contract without Government approval.
 - (2) Predisposal requirements.
- (i) Once the Contractor determines that Contractor-acquired property is no longer needed for contract performance, the Contractor in the following order of priority—
- (A) May contact the Contracting Officer if use of the property in the performance of other Government contracts is practical;
 - (B) May purchase the property at the acquisition cost; or
- (C) Shall make reasonable efforts to return unused property to the appropriate supplier at fair market value (less, if applicable, a reasonable restocking fee that is consistent with the supplier's customary practices).
- (ii) The Contractor shall list, on <u>Standard Form 1428</u>, Inventory Disposal Schedule, property that was not used in the performance of other Government contracts under paragraph (j)(2)(i)(A) of this clause, property that was not purchased under paragraph (j)(2)(i)(B) of this clause, and property that could not be returned to a supplier under paragraph (j)(2)(i)(C) of ths clause.
 - (3) Inventory disposal schedules.
 - (i) The Contractor shall use Standard Form 1428, Inventory Disposal Schedule, to identify—
- (A) Government-furnished property that is no longer required for performance of this contract, provided the terms of another Government contract do not require the Government to furnish that property for performance of this contract;
- (B) Contractor-acquired property, to which the Government has obtained title under paragraph (e) of this clause, which is no longer required for performance of that contract; and
 - (C) Termination inventory.

- (ii) The Contractor may annotate inventory disposal schedules to identify property the Contractor wishes to purchase from the Government.
- (iii) Unless the Plant Clearance Officer has agreed otherwise, or the contract requires electronic submission of inventory disposal schedules, the Contractor shall prepare separate inventory disposal schedules for—
 - (A) Special test equipment with commercial components;
 - (B) Special test equipment without commercial components;
 - (C) Printing equipment:
- (D) Information technology (e.g., computers, computer components, peripheral equipment, and related equipment);
 - (E) Precious metals;
 - (F) Nonnuclear hazardous materials or hazardous wastes; or
 - (G) Nuclear materials or nuclear wastes.
- (iv) The Contractor shall describe the property in sufficient detail to permit an understanding of its intended use. Property with the same description, condition code, and reporting location may be grouped in a single line item.
- (4) Submission requirements. The Contractor shall submit inventory disposal schedules to the Plant Clearance Officer no later than—
- (i) 30-days following the Contractor's determination that a Government property item is no longer required for performance of this contract;
- (ii) 60 days, or such longer period as may be approved by the Plant Clearance Officer, following completion of contract deliveries or performance; or
- (iii) 120 days, or such longer period as may be approved by the Termination Contracting Officer following contract termination in whole or in part.
 - (5) Corrections. The Plant Clearance Officer may-
 - (i) Reject a schedule for cause (e.g., contains errors, determined to be inaccurate); and
 - (ii) Require the Contractor to correct an inventory disposal schedule.
- (6) Postsubmission adjustments. The Contractor shall notify the Plant Clearance Officer at least 10 working days in advance of its intent to remove an item from an approved inventory disposal schedule. Upon approval of the Plant Clearance Officer, or upon expiration of the notice period, the Contractor may make the necessary adjustments to the inventory schedule.
 - (7) Storage.
- (i) The Contractor shall store the property identified on an inventory disposal schedule pending receipt of disposal instructions. The Government's failure to furnish disposal instructions within 120 days following acceptance of an inventory disposal schedule may entitle the Contractor to an equitable adjustment for costs incurred to store such property on or after the 121st day.
- (ii) The Contractor shall obtain the Plant Clearance Officer's approval to remove Government property from the premises where the property is currently located prior to receipt of final disposition instructions. If approval is granted, any costs incurred by the Contractor to transport or store the property shall not increase the price or fee of any Government contract. The storage facility shall be appropriate for assuring the property's physical safety and suitability for use. Approval does not relieve the Contractor of any liability for such property under this contract.
 - (8) Disposition instructions.
- (i) If the Government does not furnish disposition instructions to the Contractor within 45 days following acceptance of a scrap list, the Contractor may dispose of the listed scrap in accordance with the Contractor's approved scrap procedures.
- (ii) The Contractor shall prepare for shipment, deliver f.o.b. origin, or dispose of Contractor inventory as directed by the Plant Clearance Officer. If not returned to the Government, the Contractor shall remove and destroy any markings identifying the property as U.S. Government-owned property prior to its disposal.
- (iii) The Contracting Officer may require the Contractor to demilitarize the property prior to shipment or disposal. In such cases, the Contractor may be entitled to an equitable adjustment under paragraph (i) of this clause.
- (9) Disposal proceeds. As directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall credit the net proceeds from the disposal of Contractor inventory to the contract, or to the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.
- (10) Subcontractor inventory disposal schedules. The Contractor shall require its Subcontractors to submit inventory disposal schedules to the Contractor in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (j)(4) of this clause. (k) Abandonment of Government property.
- (1) The Government shall not abandon sensitive Government property or termination inventory without the Contractor's written consent.

- (2) The Government, upon notice to the Contractor, may abandon any nonsensitive Government property in place, at which time all obligations of the Government regarding such property shall cease.
- (3) The Government has no obligation to restore or rehabilitate the Contractor's premises under any circumstances; however, if Government-furnished property is withdrawn or is unsuitable for the intended use, or if other Government property is substituted, then the equitable adjustment under paragraph (i) of this clause may properly include restoration or rehabilitation costs.
 - (I) Communication. All communications under this clause shall be in writing.
- (m) Contracts outside the United States. If this contract is to be performed outside of the United States and its outlying areas, the words "Government" and "Government-furnished" (wherever they appear in this clause) shall be construed as "United States Government" and "United States Government-furnished," respectively.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (June 2007). As prescribed in 45.107(a)(2), substitute the following for paragraph (h)(1) of the basic clause:

(h)(1) The Contractor assumes the risk of, and shall be responsible for, any loss, damage, destruction, or theft of Government property upon its delivery to the Contractor as Government-furnished property. However, the Contractor is not responsible for reasonable wear and tear to Government property or for Government property consumed in performing this contract.

Alternate II (June 2007). As prescribed in 45.107(a)(3), substitute the following for paragraph (e)(3) of the basic clause:

(e)(3) Title to property (and other tangible personal property) purchased with funds available for research and having an acquisition cost of less than \$5,000 shall vest in the Contractor upon acquisition or as soon thereafter as feasible; provided that the Contractor obtained the Contracting Officer's approval before each acquisition. Title to property purchased with funds available for research and having an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more shall vest as set forth in this contract. If title to property vests in the Contractor under this paragraph, the Contractor agrees that no costs shall be allowed for any depreciation, amortization, or use under any existing or future Government contract or subcontract thereunder. The Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer a list of all property to which title is vested in the Contractor under this paragraph within 10 days following the end of the calendar quarter during which it was received. Vesting title under this paragraph is subject to civil rights legislation, 42 U.S.C. 2000d. Before title is vested and by signing this contract, the Contractor accepts and agrees that—

"No person in the United States or its outlying areas shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this contemplated financial assistance (title to property)."

53. FAR 52.245-2 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY INSTALLATION OPERATION (JUN 2007)

- (a) This Government Property listed in paragraph (e) of this clause is furnished to the Contractor in an "as-is, where is" condition. The Government makes no warranty regarding the suitability for use of the Government property specified in this contract. The Contractor shall be afforded the opportunity to inspect the Government property as specified in the solicitation.
- (b) The Government bears no responsibility for repair or replacement of any lost, damaged or destroyed Government property. If any or all of the Government property is lost, damaged or destroyed or becomes no longer usable, the Contractor shall be responsible for replacement of the property at Contractor expense. The Contractor shall have title to all replacement property and shall continue to be responsible for contract performance.
- (c) Unless the Contracting Officer determines otherwise, the Government abandons all rights and title to unserviceable and scrap property resulting from contract performance. Upon notification to the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall remove such property from the Government premises and dispose of it at Contractor expense.
- (d) Except as provided in this clause, Government property furnished under this contract shall be governed by the Government Property clause of this contract.

(e) Government property pro	vided under this clause:
	(End of clause)

work with an appropriate adjustment in contract price. The Contractor shall promptly segregate and remove rejected material from the premises.

- (g) If the Contractor does not promptly replace or correct rejected work, the Government may
 - (1) by contract or otherwise, replace or correct the work and charge the cost to the Contractor or
 - (2) terminate for default the Contractor's right to proceed.
- (h) If, before acceptance of the entire work, the Government decides to examine already completed work by removing it or tearing it out, the Contractor, on request, shall promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor, and material. If the work is found to be defective or nonconforming in any material respect due to the fault of the Contractor or its subcontractors, the Contractor shall defray the expenses of the examination and of satisfactory reconstruction. However, if the work is found to meet contract requirements, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment for the additional services involved in the examination and reconstruction, including, if completion of the work was thereby delayed, an extension of time.
- (i) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government shall accept, as promptly as practicable after completion and inspection, all work required by the contract or that portion of the work the Contracting Officer determines can be accepted separately. Acceptance shall be final and conclusive except for latent defects, fraud, gross mistakes amounting to fraud, or the Government's rights under any warranty or guarantee. (End of Clause)

57. GSAR 552.246-72 FINAL INSPECTION AND TESTS (SEP 1999)

The Contractor shall give written notice to the Contracting Officer at least 10 calendar days before the date the work will be completed and ready for final inspection and tests. Final inspection and tests will begin within 10 calendar days after the date specified in the Contractor's notice unless the Contracting Officer determines that the work is not ready for final inspection and so informs the Contractor. (End of Clause)

WARRANTY AND GUARANTEES

58. FAR 52.246-21 WARRANTY OF CONSTRUCTION (Alternate I) (APR 1984)

- (a) In addition to any other warranties in this contract, the Contractor warrants, except as provided in paragraph (i) of this clause, that work performed under this contract conforms to the contract requirements and is free of any defect in equipment, material, or design furnished, or workmanship performed by the Contractor or any subcontractor or supplier at any tier.
- (b) This warranty shall continue for a period of 1 year from the date of final acceptance of the work. If the Government takes possession of any part of the work before final acceptance, this warranty shall continue for a period of 1 year from the date the Government takes possession.
- (c) The Contractor shall remedy at the Contractor's expense any failure to conform, or any defect. In addition, the Contractor shall remedy at the Contractor's expense any damage to Government-owned or controlled real or personal property, when that damage is the result of--
 - (1) The Contractor's failure to conform to contract requirements; or
 - (2) Any defect of equipment, material, workmanship, or design furnished.
- (d) The Contractor shall restore any work damaged in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this clause. The Contractor's warranty with respect to work repaired or replaced will run for 1 year from the date of repair or replacement.
- (e) The Contracting Officer shall notify the Contractor, in writing, within a reasonable time after the discovery of any failure, defect, or damage.
- (f) If the Contractor fails to remedy any failure, defect, or damage within a reasonable time after receipt of notice, the Government shall have the right to replace, repair, or otherwise remedy the failure, defect, or damage at the Contractor's expense.
- (g) With respect to all warranties, express or implied, from subcontractors, manufacturers, or suppliers for work performed and materials furnished under this contract, the Contractor shall--
 - (1) Obtain all warranties that would be given in normal commercial practice;
- (2) Require all warranties to be executed, in writing, for the benefit of the Government, if directed by the Contracting Officer; and
 - (3) Enforce all warranties for the benefit of the Government, if directed by the Contracting Officer.
- (h) In the event the Contractor's warranty under paragraph (b) of this clause has expired, the Government may bring suit at its expense to enforce a subcontractor's, manufacturer's, or supplier's warranty.

- (i) Unless a defect is caused by the negligence of the Contractor or subcontractor or supplier at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for the repair of any defects of material or design furnished by the Government nor for the repair of any damage that results from any defect in Government-furnished material or design.
- (j) This warranty shall not limit the Government's rights under the Inspection and Acceptance clause of this contract with respect to latent defects, gross mistakes, or fraud.
- (k) Defects in design or manufacture of equipment specified by the Government on a "brand name and model" basis, shall not be included in this warranty. In this event, the Contractor shall require any subcontractors, manufacturers, or suppliers thereof to execute their warranties, in writing, directly to the Government. (End of Clause)

59. GSAR 552.246-75 GUARANTEES (MAY 1989)

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in the specifications, the Contractor guarantees all work to be in accordance with contract requirements and free from defective or inferior materials, equipment, and workmanship for 1 year after the date of final acceptance or the date the equipment or work was placed in use by the Government, whichever occurs
- (b)(1) If, within any guarantee period, the Contracting Officer finds that guaranteed work requires repairs or change because of defective or inferior materials, equipment, or workmanship or is not in accordance with contract requirements, the Contracting Officer shall notify the Contractor in writing. The Contractor shall promptly, and without additional expense to the Government, correct:
 - (i) All guaranteed work;
- (ii) All damage to equipment, the site, the building or its contents resulting from the unsatisfactory guaranteed work: and
- (iii) Any work, materials, and equipment that are disturbed in fulfilling the guarantee, including any disturbed work, materials, and equipment that may have been guaranteed under another contract.
- (2) If the Contractor fails to proceed promptly in accordance with the guarantee, the Government may have such work performed at the expense of the Contractor.
- (c) Any special guarantees that may be required under the contract will be subject to paragraphs (a) and (b), insofar as they do not conflict with special guarantees.
- (d) The Contractor shall furnish to the Government: (1) Each transferable guarantee or warranty of equipment, materials, or installation furnished by any manufacturer, supplier, or installer in the ordinary course of business; (2) All information required to make such guarantee or warranty legally binding and effective; and (3) The information and the guarantee or warranty in sufficient time to permit the Government to meet any time limit specified in the guarantee or warranty or, if no time limit is specified, prior to completion and acceptance of all work under this contract. (End of Clause)

BUY AMERICAN

60. FAR 52.225-13 RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PURCHASES (FEB 2006)

(a) Except as authorized by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) in the Department of the Treasury, the Contractor shall not acquire, for use in the performance of this contract, any supplies or services if any proclamation, Executive order, or statute administered by OFAC, or if OFAC's implementing regulations at 31 CFR Chapter V, would prohibit such a transaction by a person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(b) Except as authorized by OFAC, most transactions involving Cuba, Iran, and Sudan are prohibited, as are most imports from North Korea, into the United States or its outlying areas. Lists of entities and individuals subject to economic sanctions are included in OFAC's List of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons at http://www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/sdn. More information about these restrictions, as well as updates, is available in the OFAC's regulations at 31 CFR Chapter V and/or on OFAC's website at http://www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac.

(c) The Contractor shall insert this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts. (End of clause)

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61. FAR 52.225-9 BUY AMERICAN ACT—CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS (JAN 2005)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Component" means an article, material, or supply incorporated directly into a construction material.

"Construction material" means an article, material, or supply brought to the construction site by the Contractor or a subcontractor for incorporation into the building or work. The term also includes an item brought to the site preassembled from articles, materials, or supplies. However, emergency life safety systems, such as emergency lighting, fire alarm, and audio evacuation systems, that are discrete systems incorporated into a public building or work and that are produced as complete systems, are evaluated as a single and distinct construction material regardless of when or how the individual parts or components of those systems are delivered to the construction site. Materials purchased directly by the Government resupplies, not construction material.

"Cost of components" means-

- (1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the construction material (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or
- (2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the construction material.

"Domestic construction material" means-

- (1) An unmanufactured construction material mined or produced in the United States; or
- (2) A construction material manufactured in the United States, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind for which nonavailability determinations have been made are treated as domestic.

"Foreign construction material" means a construction material other than a domestic construction material.

"United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

- (b) Domestic preference. (1) This clause implements the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a 10d) by providing a preference for domestic construction material. The Contractor shall use only domestic construction material in performing this contract, except as provided in paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this clause.
- (2) This requirement does not apply to the construction material or components listed by the Government as follows:

[Contracting Officer to list applicable excepted materials or indicate "none"]

- (3) The Contracting Officer may add other foreign construction material to the list in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause if the Government determines that—
- (i) The cost of domestic construction material would be unreasonable. The cost of a particular domestic construction material subject to the requirements of the Buy American Act is unreasonable when the cost of such material exceeds the cost of foreign material by more than 6 percent;
- (ii) The application of the restriction of the Buy American Act to a particular construction material would be impracticable or inconsistent with the public interest; or
- (iii) The construction material is not mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality.
- (c) Request for determination of inapplicability of the Buy American Act. (1)(i) Any Contractor request to use foreign construction material in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause shall include adequate information for Government evaluation of the request, including—
 - (A) A description of the foreign and domestic construction materials;
 - (B) Unit of measure;
 - (C) Quantity;
 - (D) Price;
 - (E) Time of delivery or availability;
 - (F) Location of the construction project;
 - (G) Name and address of the proposed supplier; and
- (H) A detailed justification of the reason for use of foreign construction materials cited in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause.
- (ii) A request based on unreasonable cost shall include a reasonable survey of the market and a completed price comparison table in the format in paragraph (d) of this clause.
- (iii) The price of construction material shall include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free certificate may be issued).

- (iv) Any Contractor request for a determination submitted after contract award shall explain why the Contractor could not reasonably foresee the need for such determination and could not have requested the determination before contract award. If the Contractor does not submit a satisfactory explanation, the Contracting Officer need not make a determination.
- (2) If the Government determines after contract award that an exception to the Buy American Act applies and the Contracting Officer and the Contractor negotiate adequate consideration, the Contracting Officer will modify the contract to allow use of the foreign construction material. However, when the basis for the exception is the unreasonable price of a domestic construction material, adequate consideration is not less than the differential established in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this clause.
- (3) Unless the Government determines that an exception to the Buy American Act applies, use of foreign construction material is noncompliant with the Buy American Act.
- (d) Data. To permit evaluation of requests under paragraph (c) of this clause based on unreasonable cost, the Contractor shall include the following information and any applicable supporting data based on the survey of suppliers:

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[List name, address, telephone number, and contact for suppliers surveyed. Attach copy of response; if oral, attach

[Include other applicable supporting information.]

[* Include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued).1

62. FAR 52.225-10 NOTICE OF BUY AMERICAN ACT REQUIREMENT—CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS (MAY 2002)

- (a) Definitions. "Construction material," "domestic construction material," and "foreign construction material," as used in this provision, are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Construction Materials"
- (b) Requests for determinations of inapplicability. An offeror requesting a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act should submit the request to the Contracting Officer in time to allow a determination before submission of offers. The offeror shall include the information and applicable supporting data required by paragraphs (c) and (d) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 in the request. If an offeror has not requested a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act before submitting its offer, or has not received a response to a previous request, the offeror shall include the information and supporting data in the offer.
- (c) Evaluation of offers. (1) The Government will evaluate an offer requesting exception to the requirements of the Buy American Act, based on claimed unreasonable cost of domestic construction material, by adding to the offered price the appropriate percentage of the cost of such foreign construction material, as specified in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9.
- (2) If evaluation results in a tie between an offeror that requested the substitution of foreign construction material based on unreasonable cost and an offeror that did not request an exception, the Contracting Officer will award to the offeror that did not request an exception based on unreasonable cost.
- (d) Alternate offers. (1) When an offer includes foreign construction material not listed by the Government in this solicitation in paragraph (b)(2) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9, the offeror also may submit an alternate offer based on use of equivalent domestic construction material.
- (2) If an alternate offer is submitted, the offeror shall submit a separate Standard Form 1442 for the alternate offer, and a separate price comparison table prepared in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (d) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 for the offer that is based on the use of any foreign construction material for which the Government has not yet determined an exception applies.

- (3) If the Government determines that a particular exception requested in accordance with paragraph (c) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 does not apply, the Government will evaluate only those offers based on use of the equivalent domestic construction material, and the offeror shall be required to furnish such domestic construction material. An offer based on use of the foreign construction material for which an exception was requested—
 - (i) Will be rejected as nonresponsive if this acquisition is conducted by sealed bidding; or
 - (ii) May be accepted if revised during negotiations. (End of provision)

CLAUSES 63, 64 and 65 APPLY ONLY TO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS VALUED AT \$7,407,000 OR MORE

63. FAR 52.225-11 Buy American Act—Construction Materials under Trade Agreements (AUG 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Caribbean Basin country construction material" means a construction material that—

(1) Is wholly the growth, product, or manufacture of a Caribbean Basin country; or

(2) In the case of a construction material that consists in whole or in part of materials from another country, has been substantially transformed in a Caribbean Basin country into a new and different construction material distinct from the materials from which it was transformed.

"Component" means an article, material, or supply incorporated directly into a construction material.

"Construction material" means an article, material, or supply brought to the construction site by the Contractor or subcontractor for incorporation into the building or work. The term also includes an item brought to the site preassembled from articles, materials, or supplies. However, emergency life safety systems, such as emergency lighting, fire alarm, and audio evacuation systems, that are discrete systems incorporated into a public building or work and that are produced as complete systems, are evaluated as a single and distinct construction material regardless of when or how the individual parts or components of those systems are delivered to the construction site. Materials purchased directly by the Government are supplies, not construction material.

"Cost of components" means-

- (1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the construction material (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or
- (2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the construction material.

"Designated country" means any of the following countries:

- (1) A World Trade Organization Government Procurement Agreement country (Aruba, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korea (Republic of), Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, or United Kingdom);
- (2) A Free Trade Agreement country (Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Chile, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, or Singapore);
- (3) A least developed country (Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, East Timor, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Kiribati, Laos, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Rwanda, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Tanzania, Togo, Tuvalu, Uganda, Vanuatu, Yemen, or Zambia); or
- (4) A Caribbean Basin country (Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, British Virgin Islands, Costa Rica, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Netherlands Antilles, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, or Trinidad and Tobago).

"Designated country construction material" means a construction material that is a WTO GPA country construction material, an FTA country construction material, a least developed country construction material, or a Caribbean Basin country construction material.

"Domestic construction material" means-

(1) An unmanufactured construction material mined or produced in the United States; or

(2) A construction material manufactured in the United States, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind for which nonavailability determinations have been made are treated as domestic.

"Foreign construction material" means a construction material other than a domestic construction material.

"Free Trade Agreement country construction material" means a construction material that—

(1) Is wholly the growth, product, or manufacture of a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) country; or

(2) In the case of a construction material that consists in whole or in part of materials from another country, has been substantially transformed in a FTA country into a new and different construction material distinct from the materials from which it was transformed.

"Least developed country construction material" means a construction material that—

- (1) Is wholly the growth, product, or manufacture of a least developed country; or
- (2) In the case of a construction material that consists in whole or in part of materials from another country, has been substantially transformed in a least developed country into a new and different construction material distinct from the materials from which it was transformed.

"United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

- "WTO GPA country construction material" means a construction material that-
 - (1) Is wholly the growth, product, or manufacture of a WTO GPA country; or
- (2) In the case of a construction material that consists in whole or in part of materials from another country, has been substantially transformed in a WTO GPA country into a new and different construction material distinct from the materials from which it was transformed.
 - (b) Construction materials.
- (1) This clause implements the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d) by providing a preference for domestic construction material. In addition, the Contracting Officer has determined that the WTO GPA and Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) apply to this acquisition. Therefore, the Buy American Act restrictions are waived for designated country construction materials.
- (2) The Contractor shall use only domestic or designated country construction material in performing this contract, except as provided in paragraphs (b)(3) and (b)(4) of this clause.
- (3) The requirement in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause does not apply to the construction materials or components listed by the Government as follows:

[Contracting Officer to list applicable excepted materials or indicate "none"]

- (4) The Contracting Officer may add other foreign construction material to the list in paragraph (b)(3) of this clause if the Government determines that-
- (i) The cost of domestic construction material would be unreasonable. The cost of a particular domestic construction material subject to the restrictions of the Buy American Act is unreasonable when the cost of such material exceeds the cost of foreign material by more than 6 percent;
- (ii) The application of the restriction of the Buy American Act to a particular construction material would be impracticable or inconsistent with the public interest; or
- (iii) The construction material is not mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality.
 - (c) Request for determination of inapplicability of the Buy American Act.
- (1)(i) Any Contractor request to use foreign construction material in accordance with paragraph (b)(4) of this clause shall include adequate information for Government evaluation of the request, including—
 - (A) A description of the foreign and domestic construction materials;
 - (B) Unit of measure;
 - (C) Quantity;
 - (D) Price;
 - (E) Time of delivery or availability;
 - (F) Location of the construction project;
 - (G) Name and address of the proposed supplier; and
- (H) A detailed justification of the reason for use of foreign construction materials cited in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause.
- (ii) A request based on unreasonable cost shall include a reasonable survey of the market and a completed price comparison table in the format in paragraph (d) of this clause.

(iii) The price of construction material shall include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free certificate may be issued).

(iv) Any Contractor request for a determination submitted after contract award shall explain why the Contractor could not reasonably foresee the need for such determination and could not have requested the determination before contract award. If the Contractor does not submit a satisfactory explanation, the Contracting Officer need not make a determination.

(2) If the Government determines after contract award that an exception to the Buy American Act applies and the Contracting Officer and the Contractor negotiate adequate consideration, the Contracting Officer will modify the contract to allow use of the foreign construction material. However, when the basis for the exception is the unreasonable price of a domestic construction material, adequate consideration is not less than the differential established in paragraph (b)(4)(i) of this clause.

(3) Unless the Government determines that an exception to the Buy American Act applies, use of foreign

construction material is noncompliant with the Buy American Act.

(d) Data. To permit evaluation of requests under paragraph (c) of this clause based on unreasonable cost, the Contractor shall include the following information and any applicable supporting data based on the survey of suppliers: FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PRICE COMPARISON

-OKEIGN AND DOMESTIC CONSTRUCTION		
Construction Material Description	Unit of Quantity Measure	y Price (Dollars)*
Item 1:		
Foreign construction material		
Domestic construction material		
Item 2:		
Foreign construction material		
Domestic construction material		
		suppliers surveyed. Attach copy of response; if oral, attach summary.] any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued).]
		(End of clause)

(End of clause)

63a. FAR 52.225-11 Alternate I (AUG 2007). For acquisitions valued at \$7,407,000 or more, but less than \$8.422.165.

Alternate I (Aug 2007). As prescribed in 25.1102(c)(3), add the following definition of "Bahrainian or Mexican construction material" to paragraph (a) of the basic clause, and substitute the following paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) for paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of the basic clause:

"Bahrainian or Mexican construction material" means a construction material that—

(1) Is wholly the growth, product, or manufacture of Bahrain or Mexico; or

(2) In the case of a construction material that consists in whole or in part of materials from another country, has been substantially transformed in Bahrain or Mexico into a new and different construction material distinct from the materials from which it was transformed.

(b) Construction materials. (1) This clause implements the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a - 10d) by providing a preference for domestic construction material. In addition, the Contracting Officer has determined that the WTO GPA and all the Free Trade Agreements except NAFTA apply to this acquisition. Therefore, the Buy American Act restrictions are waived for designated country construction materials other than Bahrainian or Mexican construction materials.

(2) The Contractor shall use only domestic or designated country construction material other than Bahrainian or Mexican construction material in performing this contract, except as provided in paragraphs (b)(3) and (b)(4) of this clause.

64. FAR 52.225-12 NOTICE OF BUY AMERICAN ACT REQUIREMENT—CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS UNDER TRADE AGREEMENTS (JAN 2005)

(a) Definitions. "Construction material," "designated country construction material," "domestic construction material," and "foreign construction material," as used in this provision, are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Construction Materials Under Trade Agreements" (Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause 52.225-11).

(b) Requests for determination of inapplicability. An offeror requesting a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act should submit the request to the Contracting Officer in time to allow a determination before

submission of offers. The offeror shall include the information and applicable supporting data required by paragraphs (c) and (d) of FAR clause 52.225-11 in the request. If an offeror has not requested a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act before submitting its offer, or has not received a response to a previous request, the offeror shall include the information and supporting data in the offer.

(c) Evaluation of offers.

- (1) The Government will evaluate an offer requesting exception to the requirements of the Buy American Act, based on claimed unreasonable cost of domestic construction materials, by adding to the offered price the appropriate percentage of the cost of such foreign construction material, as specified in paragraph (b)(4)(i) of FAR clause 52.225-11.
- (2) If evaluation results in a tie between an offeror that requested the substitution of foreign construction material based on unreasonable cost and an offeror that did not request an exception, the Contracting Officer will award to the offeror that did not request an exception based on unreasonable cost.

(d) Alternate offers.

- (1) When an offer includes foreign construction material, other than designated country construction material, that is not listed by the Government in this solicitation in paragraph (b)(3) of FAR clause 52.225-11, the offeror also may submit an alternate offer based on use of equivalent domestic or designated country construction material.
- (2) If an alternate offer is submitted, the offeror shall submit a separate Standard Form 1442 for the alternate offer, and a separate price comparison table prepared in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (d) of FAR clause 52.225-11 for the offer that is based on the use of any foreign construction material for which the Government has not yet determined an exception applies.
- (3) If the Government determines that a particular exception requested in accordance with paragraph (c) of FAR clause 52.225-11 does not apply, the Government will evaluate only those offers based on use of the equivalent domestic or designated country construction material, and the offeror shall be required to furnish such domestic or designated country construction material. An offer based on use of the foreign construction material for which an exception was requested-
 - (i) Will be rejected as nonresponsive if this acquisition is conducted by sealed bidding; or
 - (ii) May be accepted if revised during negotiations. (End of provision)
- 65. FAR 52.225-12 Alternate II (AUG 2007). For acquisitions valued at \$7,407,000 or more, but less than \$8,422,165. Alternate II (Aug 2007). As prescribed in 25.1102(d)(3), add the definition of "Bahrainian or Mexican construction material" to paragraph (a) and substitute the following paragraph (d) for paragraph (d) of the basic provision:
 - (d) Alternate offers. (1) When an offer includes foreign construction material, except foreign construction material from a designated country other than Bahrain or Mexico, that is not listed by the Government in this solicitation in paragraph (b)(3) of FAR clause 52.225-11, the offeror also may submit an alternate offer based on use of equivalent domestic or designated country construction material other than Bahrainian or Mexican construction material.
 - (2) If an alternate offer is submitted, the offeror shall submit a separate Standard Form 1442 for the alternate offer, and a separate price comparison table prepared in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (d) of FAR clause 52.225-11 for the offer that is based on the use of any foreign construction material for which the Government has not yet determined an exception applies.
 - (3) If the Government determines that a particular exception requested in accordance with paragraph (c) of FAR clause 52.225-11 does not apply, the Government will evaluate only those offers based on use of the equivalent domestic or designated country construction material other than Bahrainian or Mexican construction material. An offer based on use of the foreign construction material for which an exception was requested—
 - (i) Will be rejected as nonresponsive if this acquisition is conducted by sealed bidding; or
 - (ii) May be accepted if revised during negotiations.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

66. FAR 52.204-4 PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER (AUG 2000)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause -

"Postconsumer material" means a material or finished product that has served its intended use and has been discarded for disposal or recovery, having completed its life as a consumer item. Postconsumer material is a part of the broader category of "recovered material." For paper and paper products, postconsumer material means "postconsumer fiber" defined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as-

(1) Paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials from retail stores, office buildings, homes, and so forth, after they have passed through their end-usage as a consumer item, including: used corrugated boxes; old newspapers; old magazines; mixed waste paper; tabulating cards; and used cordage; or

(2) All paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials that enter and are collected from municipal solid waste; but

(3) Fiber derived from printers' over-runs, converters' scrap, and over-issue publications.

"Printed or copied double-sided" means printing or reproducing a document so that information is on both sides of a sheet of paper.

"Recovered material," for paper and paper products, is defined by EPA in its Comprehensive Procurement Guideline as "recovered fiber" and means the following materials:

(1) Postconsumer fiber: and

not

(2) Manufacturing wastes such as--

(i) Dry paper and paperboard waste generated after completion of the papermaking process (that is, those manufacturing operations up to and including the cutting and trimming of the paper machine reel into smaller rolls or rough sheets) including: envelope cuttings, bindery trimmings, and other paper and paperboard waste resulting from printing, cutting, forming, and other converting operations; bag, box, and carton manufacturing wastes; and butt rolls, mill wrappers, and rejected unused stock; and

(ii) Repulped finished paper and paperboard from obsolete inventories of paper and paperboard manufacturers, merchants, wholesalers, dealers, printers, converters, or others.

- (b) In accordance with Section 101 of Executive Order 13101 of September 14, 1998, Greening the Government through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition, the Contractor is encouraged to submit paper documents, such as offers, letters, or reports, that are printed or copied double-sided on recycled paper that meet minimum content standards specified in Section 505 of Executive Order 13101, when not using electronic commerce methods to submit information or data to the Government.
- (c) If the Contractor cannot purchase high-speed copier paper, offset paper, forms bond, computer printout paper, carbonless paper, file folders, white wove envelopes, writing and office paper, book paper, cotton fiber paper, and cover stock meeting the 30 percent postconsumer material standard for use in submitting paper documents to the Government, it should use paper containing no less than 20 percent postconsumer material. This lesser standard should be used only when paper meeting the 30 percent postconsumer material standard is not obtainable at a reasonable price or does not meet reasonable performance standards. (End of clause)

67. FAR 52.223-3 - HAZARDOUS MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION AND MATERIAL SAFETY DATA - ALTERNATE I (JAN 1997)

(a) "Hazardous material," as used in this clause, includes any material defined as hazardous under the latest version of Federal Standard No. 313 (including revisions adopted during the term of the contract).

(b) The offeror must list any hazardous material, as defined in paragraph (a) of this clause, to be delivered under this contract. The hazardous material shall be properly identified and include any applicable identification number, such as National Stock Number or Special Item Number. This information shall also be included on the Material Safety Data Sheet submitted under this contract.

Material	Identification No.(If none, insert "None")

(c) This list must be updated during performance of the contract whenever the Contractor determines that any other material to be delivered under this contract is hazardous.

(d) The apparently successful offeror agrees to submit, for each item as required prior to award, a Material Safety Data Sheet, meeting the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1200(g) and the latest version of Federal Standard No. 313, for all hazardous material identified in paragraph (b) of this clause. Data shall be submitted in accordance with Federal Standard 313, whether or not the apparently successful offeror is the actual manufacturer of these items. Failure to submit the Material Safety Data Sheet prior to award may result in the apparently successful offeror being considered nonresponsible and ineligible for award.

(e) If, after award, there is a change in the composition of the item(s) or a revision to Federal Standard No. 313, which renders incomplete or inaccurate the data submitted under paragraph (d) of this clause, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer and resubmit the data.

(f) Neither the requirements of this clause nor any act or failure to act by the Government shall relieve the Contractor of any responsibility or liability for the safety of Government, Contractor, or Subcontractor personnel or

property.

- (g) Nothing contained in this clause shall relieve the Contractor from complying with applicable Federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations (including the obtaining of licenses and permits) in connection with hazardous material.
- (h) The Government's rights in data furnished under this contract with respect to hazardous material are as follows:
 - (1) To use, duplicate, and disclose any data to which this clause is applicable. The purposes of this right are
- to--(i) Apprise personnel of the hazards to which they may be exposed in using, handling, packaging, transporting, or disposing of hazardous materials;

(ii) Obtain medical treatment for those affected by the material: and

(iii) Have other use, duplicate, and disclose the data for the Government for these purposes.

(2) To use, duplicate, and disclose data furnished under this clause, in accordance with subparagraph (h)(1) above, in precedence over any other clause of this contract providing for rights in data.

(3) The Government is not precluded from using similar or identical data acquired from other sources.

(i) Except as provided in paragraph (i)(2), the Contractor shall prepare and submit a sufficient number of Material Safety Sheets (MSDS's), meeting the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1200(g) and the latest version of Federal Standard No. 313, for all hazardous materials identified in paragraph (b) of this clause.

(1) For items shipped to consignees, the Contractor shall include a copy of the MSDS's with the packing list or other suitable shipping document which accompanies each shipment. Alternatively, the Contractor is permitted to transmit MSDS's to consignees in advance of receipt of shipments by consignees, if authorized in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(2) For items shipped to consignees identified by mailing address as agency depots, distribution centers or customer supply centers, the Contractor shall provide one copy of the MSDS's in or on each shipping container. If affixed to the outside of each container, the MSDS's must be placed in a weather resistant envelope.

68. FAR 52.223-5 - POLLUTION PREVENTION AND RIGHT-TO-KNOW INFORMATION (AUG 2003)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause -

"Priority chemical" means a chemical identified by the Interagency Environmental Leadership Workgroup or, alternatively, by an agency pursuant to Section 503 of Executive Order 13148 of April 21, 2000, Greening the Government through Leadership in Environmental Management.

"Toxic chemical" means a chemical or chemical category listed in 40 CFR 372.65.

(b) Executive Order 13148 requires Federal facilities to comply with the provisions of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) (42 USC 11001-11050) and the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 (PPA)(42 US 13101-13109).

(c) The Contractor shall provide all information needed by the Federal facility to comply with the following:

(1) The emergency planning reporting requirements of Section 302 of EPCRA.

(2) The emergency notice requirements of Section 304 of EPCRA.

(3) The list of Material Safety Data Sheets, required by Section 311 of EPCRA.

(4) The emergency and hazardous chemical inventory forms of Section 312 of EPCRA.

(5) The toxic chemical release inventory of Section 313 of EPCRA, which includes the reduction and recycling information required by Section 6607 of PPA.

(6) The toxic chemical, priority chemical, and hazardous substance release and use reduction goals of Sections 502 and 503 of Executive Order 13148. (End of clause)

Alternate I (Aug 2003). As prescribed in 23.1005(b), add the following paragraph (c)(7) to the basic clause: (c)(7) The environmental management system as described in Section 401 of E.O. 13148.

Alternate II (Aug 2003). As prescribed in 23.1005(c), add the following paragraph (c)(7) to the basic clause. If Alternate I is also prescribed, renumber paragraph (c)(7) as paragraph (c)(8).

(c)(7) The facility compliance audits as described in Section 402 of E.O. 13148.

69. FAR 52.223-6 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (MAY 2001)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in schedules I through V of section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined in regulation at 21 CFR 1308.11 - 1308.15.

"Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of *nolo contendere*) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes.

"Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution,

dispensing, possession, or use of any controlled substance.

"Drug-free workplace" means the site(s) for the performance of work done by the Contractor in connection with a specific contract where employees of the Contractor are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance.

"Employee" means an employee of a Contractor directly engaged in the performance of work under a Government contract. "Directly engaged" is defined to include all direct cost employees and any other Contractor employee who has

other than a minimal impact or involvement in contract performance.

"Individual" means an offeror/contractor that has no more than one employee including the offeror/contractor.

(b) The Contractor, if other than an individual, shall—within 30 days after award (unless a longer period is agreed to in writing for contracts of 30 days or more performance duration), or as soon as possible for contracts of less than 30 days performance duration—

(1) Publish a statement notifying its employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that

will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition;

(2) Establish an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform such employees about—

(i) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

(ii) The Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug free workplace;

(iii) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and

(iv) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(3) Provide all employees engaged in performance of the contract with a copy of the statement required by paragraph (b)(1) of this clause;

(4) Notify such employees in writing in the statement required by paragraph (b)(1) of this clause that, as a condition of continued employment on this contract, the employee will—

(i) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(ii) Notify the employer in writing of the employee's conviction under a criminal drug statute for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than 5 days after such conviction;

(5) Notify the Contracting Officer in writing within 10 days after receiving notice under subdivision (b)(4)(ii) of this clause, from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. The notice shall include the position title of the employee;

(6) Within 30 days after receiving notice under subdivision (b)(4)(ii) of this clause of a conviction, take one of the following actions with respect to any employee who is convicted of a drug abuse violation occurring in the

workplace:

(i) Taking appropriate personnel action against such employee, up to and including termination; or

(ii) Require such employee to satisfactorily participate in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; and

(7) Make a good faith effort to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(6) of this clause.

(c) The Contractor, if an individual, agrees by award of the contract or acceptance of a purchase order, not to engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance while performing this contract.

(d) In addition to other remedies available to the Government, the Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of paragraph (b) or (c) of this clause may, pursuant to FAR 23.506, render the Contractor subject to suspension of contract payments, termination of the contract or default, and suspension or debarment. (End of clause)

70. FAR 52.223-9 ESTIMATE OF PERCENTAGE OF RECOVERED MATERIAL CONTENT FOR EPA-**DESIGNATED PRODUCTS (AUG 2000)**

Definitions. As used in this clause -

"Postconsumer material" means a material or finished product that has served its intended use and has been discarded for disposal or recovery, having completed its life as a consumer item. Postconsumer material is a part of the broader category of "recovered material".

"Recovered material" means waste materials and by-products recovered or diverted from solid waste, but the term does not include those materials and by-products generated from, and commonly reused within, an original manufacturing process.

The Contractor shall execute the following certification required by the Resource Conservation and Recovery

Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 962(I)(2)(C)):

CERTIFICATION

I, the performance of this cont designated products met the	ract and hereby certify	y that the perce	er), am an officer or employee responsentage of recovered material content for	sible for or EPA
		Typed Name o	e Officer or Employee of the Officer or Employee pany, Firm or Organization	
the percentage of postcons	the total recovered m	aterial used in t; and	contract performance, including, if app	olicable
	ES	TIMATE		
EPA designated item	Total dollar value of EPA designated item		Percentage of recovered material content*	

*Where applicable, also include the percentage of post consumer material content.

71. FAR 52.223-11--OZONE-DEPLETING SUBSTANCES (MAY 2001)

- (a) Definition. "Ozone-depleting substance, " as used in this clause, means any substance the Environmental Protection Agency designates in 40 CFR part 82 as -
 - (1) Class I, including, but not limited to, chlorofluorocarbons, halons, carbon tetrachloride, and methylchloroform; or
 - (2) Class II, including, but not limited to, hydrochlorofluorocarbons.

(b)	The Contractor shall label products which contain or are manufactured with ozone-depleting substances in the
()	manner and to the extent required by 42 U.S.C. 7671j (b), (c), and (d) and 40 CFR Part 82, Subpart E, as
	follows:

WARNING

Contains (or manufactured with, if applicable) *_____, a substance(s) which harm(s) public health and environment by destroying ozone in the upper atmosphere.

*The Contractor shall insert the name of the substance(s).

72. FAR 52.223-12 REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT AND AIR CONDITIONERS (MAY 1995)

The Contractor shall comply with the applicable requirements of Sections 608 and 609 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7671g and 7671h) as each or both apply to this contract. (End of Clause)

73. FAR 52.223-14 TOXIC CHEMICAL RELEASE REPORTING (AUG 2003)_(APPLIES ONLY TO COMPETITIVELY- AWARDED CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$100,000)

- (a) Unless otherwise exempt, the Contractor, as owner or operator of a facility used in the performance of this contract, shall file by July 1 for the prior calendar year an annual Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Form (Form R) as described in sections 313(a) and (g) of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) (42 U.S.C. 11023(a) and (g)), and section 6607 of the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 (PPA) (42 U.S.C. 13106). The Contractor shall file, for each facility subject to the Form R filing and reporting requirements, the annual Form R throughout the life of the contract.
- (b) A Contractor owned or operated facility used in the performance of this contract is exempt from the requirement to file an annual Form R if ---
 - (1) The facility does not manufacture, process or otherwise use any toxic chemicals listed in 40 CFR 372.65;
- (2) The facility does not have 10 or more full-time employees as specified in section 313(b)(1)(A) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. 11023(b)(1)(A);
- (3) The facility does not meet the reporting thresholds of toxic chemicals established under section 313(f) of EPCRA (including the alternate thresholds at 40 CFR 372.27, provided an appropriate certification form has been filed with EPA):
- (4) The facility does not fall within the following Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes or their corresponding North American Industry Classification System sectors:
 - (i) Major group code 10 (except 1011, 1081, and 1094.
 - (ii) Major group code 12 (except 1241).
 - (iii) Major group codes 20 through 39.
- (iv) Industry code 4911, 4931, or 4939 (limited to facilities that combust coal and/or oil for the purpose of generating power for distribution in commerce).
- (v) Industry code 4953 (limited to facilities regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Subtitle C (42 U.S.C. 6921, et seq.), or 5169, or 5171, or 7389 (limited to facilities primarily engaged in solvent recovery services on a contract or fee basis); or
 - (5) The facility is not located within any State of the United States or its outlying areas.
- (c) If the Contractor has certified to an exemption in accordance with one or more of the criteria in paragraph (b) of this clause, and after award of the contract circumstances change so that any of its owned or operated facilities used in the performance of this contract is no longer exempt---
 - (1) The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer; and
- (2) The Contractor, as owner or operator of a facility used in the performance of this contract that is no longer exempt, shall
- (i) submit a Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Form (Form R) on or before July 1 for the prior calendar year during which the facility becomes eligible; and (ii) continue to file the annual Form R for the life of the contract for such facility.
- (d) The Contracting Officer may terminate this contract or take other action as appropriate, if the Contractor fails to comply accurately and fully with the EPCRA and PPA toxic chemical release filing and reporting requirements.
 - (e) Except for acquisitions of commercial items, as defined in FAR Part 2, the Contractor shall---

- (1) For competitive subcontracts expected to exceed \$100,000 (including all Options), include a solicitation provision substantially the same as the provision at FAR 52.223-13, Certification of Toxic Chemical Release Reporting; and
- (2) Include in any resultant subcontract exceeding \$100,000 (including all options), the substance of this clause, except this paragraph (e). (End of Clause)

EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

74. FAR 52.222-1 NOTICE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF LABOR DISPUTES (FEB 1997)

(a) If the Contractor has knowledge that any actual or potential labor dispute is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this contract, the Contractor shall immediately give notice, including all relevant information, to the Contracting Officer. (End of Clause)

75. 52.222-3 CONVICT LABOR. (JUNE 2003)

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this clause, the Contractor shall not employ in the performance of this contract any person undergoing a sentence of imprisonment imposed by any court of a State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands.
 - (b) The Contractor is not prohibited from employing persons—
 - (1) On parole or probation to work at paid employment during the term of their sentence;
 - (2) Who have been pardoned or who have served their terms; or
- (3) Confined for violation of the laws of any of the States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands who are authorized to work at paid employment in the community under the laws of such jurisdiction, if—
 - (i) The worker is paid or is in an approved work training program on a voluntary basis;
 - (ii) Representatives of local union central bodies or similar labor union organizations have been consulted;
- (iii) Such paid employment will not result in the displacement of employed workers, or be applied in skills, crafts, or trades in which there is a surplus of available gainful labor in the locality, or impair existing contracts for services:
- (iv) The rates of pay and other conditions of employment will not be less than those paid or provided for work of a similar nature in the locality in which the work is being performed; and
- (v) The Attorney General of the United States has certified that the work-release laws or regulations of the jurisdiction involved are in conformity with the requirements of Executive Order 11755, as amended by Executive Orders 12608 and 12943. (End of clause)

76. FAR 52.222-21 PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES (FEB 1999)

- (a) "Segregated facilities" as used in this clause, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees, that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin because of written or oral policies or employee custom. The term does not include separate or single-user rest rooms or necessary dressing or sleeping areas provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Contractor agrees that a breach of this clause is a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in this contract.
- (c) The Contractor shall include this clause in every subcontract and purchase order that is subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this contract. (End of clause)

77. FAR 52,222-26 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (MAR 2007)

- (a) *Definition*. "United States," as used in this clause, means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Wake Island.
- (b)(1) If, during any 12-month period (including the 12 months preceding the award of this contract), the Contractor has been or is awarded nonexempt Federal contracts and/or subcontracts that have an aggregate value in excess of \$10,000, the Contractor shall comply with this clause, except for work performed outside the United States by

employees who were not recruited within the United States. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide information necessary to determine the applicability of this clause.

- (2) If the Contractor is a religious corporation, association, educational institution, or society, the requirements of this clause do not apply with respect to the employment of individuals of a particular religion to perform work connected with the carrying on of the Contractor's activities (41 CFR 60-1.5).
- (c)(1) The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. However, it shall not be a violation of this clause for the Contractor to extend a publicly announced preference in employment to Indians living on or near an Indian reservation, in connection with employment opportunities on or near an Indian reservation, as permitted by 41 CFR 60-1.5.
- (2) The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. This shall include, but not be limited to—
 - (i) Employment;
 - (ii) Upgrading;
 - (iii) Demotion:
 - (iv) Transfer;
 - (v) Recruitment or recruitment advertising;
 - (vi) Layoff or termination;
 - (vii) Rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and
 - (viii) Selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- (3) The Contractor shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment the notices to be provided by the Contracting Officer that explain this clause.
- (4) The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (5) The Contractor shall send, to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, the notice to be provided by the Contracting Officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this clause, and post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (6) The Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (7) The Contractor shall furnish to the contracting agency all information required by Executive Order 11246, as amended, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor. The Contractor shall also file Standard Form 100 (EEO-1), or any successor form, as prescribed in 41 CFR Part 60-1. Unless the Contractor has filed within the 12 months preceding the date of contract award, the Contractor shall, within 30 days after contract award, apply to either the regional Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) or the local office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for the necessary forms.
- (8) The Contractor shall permit access to its premises, during normal business hours, by the contracting agency or the OFCCP for the purpose of conducting on-site compliance evaluations and complaint investigations. The Contractor shall permit the Government to inspect and copy any books, accounts, records (including computerized records), and other material that may be relevant to the matter under investigation and pertinent to compliance with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and rules and regulations that implement the Executive Order.
- (9) If the OFCCP determines that the Contractor is not in compliance with this clause or any rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts, under the procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246, as amended. In addition, sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked against the Contractor as provided in Executive Order 11246, as amended; in the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor; or as otherwise provided by law.
- (10) The Contractor shall include the terms and conditions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order that is not exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued under Executive Order 11246, as amended, so that these terms and conditions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- (11) The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Contracting Officer may direct as a means of enforcing these terms and conditions, including sanctions for noncompliance, provided, that if the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a

result of any direction, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

(d) Notwithstanding any other clause in this contract, disputes relative to this clause will be governed by the procedures in 41 CFR 60-1.1. (End of clause)

Alternate I (Feb 1999). As prescribed in 22.810(e), add the following as a preamble to the clause:

Notice: The following terms of this clause are waived for this contract: [Contracting Officer shall list terms].

78. FAR 52.222-35 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR SPECIAL DISABLED VETERANS, VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM ERA, AND OTHER ELIGIBLE VETERANS (SEP 2006)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"All employment openings" means all positions except executive and top management, those positions that will be filled from within the Contractor's organization, and positions lasting 3 days or less. This term includes full-time employment, temporary employment of more than 3 days duration, and part-time employment.

"Executive and top management" means any employee-

- (1) Whose primary duty consists of the management of the enterprise in which the individual is employed or of a customarily recognized department or subdivision thereof;
 - (2) Who customarily and regularly directs the work of two or more other employees;
- (3) Who has the authority to hire or fire other employees or whose suggestions and recommendations as to the hiring or firing and as to the advancement and promotion or any other change of status of other employees will be given particular weight;
 - (4) Who customarily and regularly exercises discretionary powers; and
- (5) Who does not devote more than 20 percent or, in the case of an employee of a retail or service establishment, who does not devote more than 40 percent of total hours of work in the work week to activities that are not directly and closely related to the performance of the work described in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this definition. This paragraph (5) does not apply in the case of an employee who is in sole charge of an establishment or a physically separated branch establishment, or who owns at least a 20 percent interest in the enterprise in which the individual is employed.

"Other eligible veteran" means any other veteran who served on active duty during a war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized.

"Positions that will be filled from within the Contractor's organization" means employment openings for which the Contractor will give no consideration to persons outside the Contractor's organization (including any affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent companies) and includes any openings the Contractor proposes to fill from regularly established "recall" lists. The exception does not apply to a particular opening once an employer decides to consider applicants outside of its organization.

"Qualified special disabled veteran" means a special disabled veteran who satisfies the requisite skill, experience, education, and other job-related requirements of the employment position such veteran holds or desires, and who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of such position.

"Special disabled veteran" means-

- (1) A veteran who is entitled to compensation (or who but for the receipt of military retired pay would be entitled to compensation) under laws administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs for a disability—
 - (i) Rated at 30 percent or more: or
- (ii) Rated at 10 or 20 percent in the case of a veteran who has been determined under 38 U.S.C. 3106 to have a serious employment handicap (i.e., a significant impairment of the veteran's ability to prepare for, obtain, or retain employment consistent with the veteran's abilities, aptitudes, and interests); or
 - (2) A person who was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability. "Veteran of the Vietnam era" means a person who—
- (1) Served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days and was discharged or released from active duty with other than a dishonorable discharge, if any part of such active duty occurred—
 - (i) In the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975; or
 - (ii) Between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, in all other cases; or
- (2) Was discharged or released from active duty for a service-connected disability if any part of the active duty was performed—

- (i) In the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975; or
- (ii) Between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, in all other cases.
- (b) General. (1) The Contractor shall not discriminate against the individual because the individual is a special disabled veteran, a veteran of the Vietnam era, or other eligible veteran, regarding any position for which the employee or applicant for employment is qualified. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to employ, advance in employment, and otherwise treat qualified special disabled veterans, veterans of the Vietnam era, and other eligible veterans without discrimination based upon their disability or veterans' status in all employment practices such as—
 - (i) Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures;
- (ii) Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring;
 - (iii) Rate of pay or any other form of compensation and changes in compensation;
- (iv) Job assignments, job classifications, organizational structures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists;
 - (v) Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave:
 - (vi) Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment, whether or not administered by the Contractor;
- (vii) Selection and financial support for training, including apprenticeship, and on-the-job training under 38 U.S.C. 3687, professional meetings, conferences, and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training;
 - (viii) Activities sponsored by the Contractor including social or recreational programs; and
 - (ix) Any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.
- (2) The Contractor shall comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued under the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1972 (the Act), as amended (38 U.S.C. 4211 and 4212).
- (c) Listing openings. (1) The Contractor shall immediately list all employment openings that exist at the time of the execution of this contract and those which occur during the performance of this contract, including those not generated by this contract, and including those occurring at an establishment of the Contractor other than the one where the contract is being performed, but excluding those of independently operated corporate affiliates, at an appropriate local public employment service office of the State wherein the opening occurs. Listing employment openings with the U.S. Department of Labor's America's Job Bank shall satisfy the requirement to list jobs with the local employment service office.
- (2) The Contractor shall make the listing of employment openings with the local employment service office at least concurrently with using any other recruitment source or effort and shall involve the normal obligations of placing a bona fide job order, including accepting referrals of veterans and nonveterans. This listing of employment openings does not require hiring any particular job applicant or hiring from any particular group of job applicants and is not intended to relieve the Contractor from any requirements of Executive orders or regulations concerning nondiscrimination in employment.
- (3) Whenever the Contractor becomes contractually bound to the listing terms of this clause, it shall advise the State public employment agency in each State where it has establishments of the name and location of each hiring location in the State. As long as the Contractor is contractually bound to these terms and has so advised the State agency, it need not advise the State agency of subsequent contracts. The Contractor may advise the State agency when it is no longer bound by this contract clause.
- (d) *Applicability*. This clause does not apply to the listing of employment openings that occur and are filled outside the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and Wake Island.
- (e) *Postings*. (1) The Contractor shall post employment notices in conspicuous places that are available to employees and applicants for employment.
 - (2) The employment notices shall-
- (i) State the rights of applicants and employees as well as the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified employees and applicants who are special disabled veterans, veterans of the Vietnam era, and other eligible veterans; and
- (ii) Be in a form prescribed by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Department of Labor (Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor), and provided by or through the Contracting Officer.
- (3) The Contractor shall ensure that applicants or employees who are special disabled veterans are informed of the contents of the notice (e.g., the Contractor may have the notice read to a visually disabled veteran, or may lower the posted notice so that it can be read by a person in a wheelchair).

- (4) The Contractor shall notify each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, or other contract understanding, that the Contractor is bound by the terms of the Act and is committed to take affirmative action to employ, and advance in employment, qualified special disabled veterans, veterans of the Vietnam era, and other eligible veterans.
- (f) Noncompliance. If the Contractor does not comply with the requirements of this clause, the Government may take appropriate actions under the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the Act.
- (g) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the terms of this clause in all subcontracts or purchase orders of \$100,000 or more unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor. The Contractor shall act as specified by the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor to enforce the terms, including action for noncompliance. (End of clause)

79. FAR 52.222-37 EMPLOYMENT REPORTS ON SPECIAL DISABLED VETERANS, VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM ERA, AND OTHER ELIGIBLE VETERANS (SEP 2006)

- (a) Unless the Contractor is a State or local government agency, the Contractor shall report at least annually, as required by the Secretary of Labor, on—
- (1) The number of special disabled veterans, the number of veterans of the Vietnam era, and other eligible veterans in the workforce of the Contractor by job category and hiring location; and
- (2) The total number of new employees hired during the period covered by the report, and of the total, the number of special disabled veterans, the number of veterans of the Vietnam era, and the number of other eligible veterans; and
- (3) The maximum number and the minimum number of employees of the Contractor during the period covered by the report.
- (b) The Contractor shall report the above items by completing the Form VETS-100, entitled "Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Report (VETS-100 Report)".
- (c) The Contractor shall submit VETS-100 Reports no later than September 30 of each year beginning September 30, 1988.
- (d) The employment activity report required by paragraph (a)(2) of this clause shall reflect total hires during the most recent 12-month period as of the ending date selected for the employment profile report required by paragraph (a)(1) of this clause. Contractors may select an ending date—
 - (1) As of the end of any pay period between July 1 and August 31 of the year the report is due; or
- (2) As of December 31, if the Contractor has prior written approval from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to do so for purposes of submitting the Employer Information Report EEO-1 (Standard Form 100).
- (e) The Contractor shall base the count of veterans reported according to paragraph (a) of this clause on voluntary disclosure. Each Contractor subject to the reporting requirements at 38 U.S.C. 4212 shall invite all special disabled veterans, veterans of the Vietnam era, and other eligible veterans who wish to benefit under the affirmative action program at 38 U.S.C. 4212 to identify themselves to the Contractor. The invitation shall state that—
 - (1) The information is voluntarily provided;
 - (2) The information will be kept confidential;
- (3) Disclosure or refusal to provide the information will not subject the applicant or employee to any adverse treatment; and
 - (4) The information will be used only in accordance with the regulations promulgated under 38 U.S.C. 4212.
- (f) The Contractor shall insert the terms of this clause in all subcontracts or purchase orders of \$100,000 or more unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor. (End of clause)

80. FAR 52.222-36 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES (JUN 1998)

- (a) General.
- (1) Regarding any position for which the employee or applicant for employment is qualified, the Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant because of physical or mental disability. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to employ, advance in employment, and otherwise treat qualified individuals with disabilities without discrimination based upon their physical or mental disability in all employment practices such as-
 - (i) Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures;
- (ii) Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff, and rehiring:

- (iii) Rates of pay or any other form of compensation and changes in compensation;
- (iv) Job assignments, job classifications, organizational structures, position descriptions, lines of progression and seniority lists;
 - (v) Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave;
 - (vi) Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment, whether or not administered by the Contractor;
- (vii) Selection and financial support for training, including apprenticeships, professional meetings, conferences and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training:
 - (viii) Activities sponsored by the Contractor, including social or recreational programs; and
 - (ix) Any other term, condition or privilege of employment.
- (2) The Contractor agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) issued under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 793) (the Act), as amended.
 - (b) Postings. (1) The Contractor agrees to post employment notices stating ---
- (i) the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with disabilities; and
 - (ii) the rights of applicants and employees.
- (2) These notices shall be posted in conspicuous places that are available to employees and applicants for employment. The Contractor shall ensure that applicants and employees with disabilities are informed of the contents of the notice (e.g., the Contractor may have the notice read to a visually disabled individual, or may lower the posted notice so that it might be read by a person in a wheelchair). The notices shall be in a form prescribed by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance of the U.S. Department of Labor (Deputy Assistant Secretary) and shall be provided by or through the Contracting Officer.
- (3) The Contractor shall notify each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the Contractor is bound by the terms of Section 503 of the Act and is committed to take affirmative action to employ, and advance in employment, qualified individuals with physical or mental disabilities.
- (c) Noncompliance. If the Contractor does not comply with the requirements of this clause, appropriate actions may be taken under the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to the Act.
- (d) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include the terms of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$10,000 unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary. The Contractor shall act as specified by the Deputy Assistant Secretary to enforce the terms, including action for noncompliance. (End of Clause)

81. FAR 52.222-27 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION (FEB 1999) (a) Definitions.

"Covered area," as used in this clause, means the geographical area described in the solicitation for this contract.
"Deputy Assistant Secretary," as used in this clause, means the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract

Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor, or a designee.

"Employer's identification number," as used in this clause, means the Federal Social Security number used on the employer's quarterly Federal tax return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.

"Minority," as used in this clause, means--

- (1) American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).
- (2) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands);
 - (3) Black (all persons having origins in any of the black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin); and
- (4) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race). If the Contractor, or a subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 shall include this clause and the Notice containing the goals for minority and female participation stated in the solicitation for this contract.
- (c) If the Contractor is participating in a Hometown Plan (41 CFR 60-4) approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in a covered area, either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the plan area (including goals) shall comply with the plan for those trades that have unions participating in the plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate participation in, and compliance with, the provisions of the plan. Each Contractor or subcontractor participating in an approved plan is also required to comply with its obligations under the Equal Opportunity clause, and to make a good-faith effort to achieve each goal under the plan in each trade in which it has

employees. The overall good-faith performance by other Contractors or subcontractors toward a goal in an approved plan does not excuse any Contractor's or subcontractor's failure to make good-faith efforts to achieve the plan's goals.

- (d) The Contractor shall implement the affirmative action procedures in subparagraphs (g)(1) through (16) of this clause. The goals stated in the solicitation for this contract are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization that the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for the geographical area where that work is actually performed. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress toward its goals in each craft.
- (e) Neither the terms and conditions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under this clause, Executive Order 11246, as amended, or the regulations thereunder.
- (f) In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.
- (g) The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with this clause shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully and implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:
- (1) Ensure a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites and in all facilities where the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, if possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall ensure that foremen, superintendents, and other onsite supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at these sites or facilities.
- (2) Establish and maintain a current list of sources for minority and female recruitment. Provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
- (3) Establish and maintain a current file of the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant, referrals of minorities or females from unions, recruitment sources, or community organizations, and the action taken with respect to each individual. If an individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred back, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
- (4) Immediately notify the Deputy Assistant Secretary when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred back to the Contractor a minority or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
- (5) Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area that expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under subparagraph (g)(2) of this clause.
 - (6) Disseminate the Contractor's equal employment policy by --
- (i) Providing notice of the policy to unions and to training, recruitment, and outreach programs, and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its contract obligations;
 - (ii) Including the policy in any policy manual and in collective bargaining agreements;
 - (iii) Publicizing the policy in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.;
- (iv) Reviewing the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and
- (v) Posting the policy on bulletin boards accessible to employees at each location where construction work is performed.
- (7) Review, at least annually, the Contractor's equal employment policy and affirmative action obligations with all employees having responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination, or other employment decisions. Conduct review of this policy with all on-site supervisory personnel before initiating construction work at a job site. A written

record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.

- (8) Disseminate the Contractor's equal employment policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media. Provide written notification to, and discuss this policy with, other Contractors and subcontractors with which the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
- (9) Direct recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female, and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students, and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than 1 month before the date for acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or training by any recruitment source, send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.
- (10) Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit minority persons and women. Where reasonable, provide after-school, summer, and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of the Contractor's workforce.
 - (11) Validate all tests and other selection requirements where required under 41 CFR 60-3.
- (12) Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities. Encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., opportunities for promotion.
- (13) Ensure that seniority practices job classifications, work assignments, and other personnel practices do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment-related activities to ensure that the Contractor's obligations under this contract are being carried out.
- (14) Ensure that all facilities and company activities are nonsegregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- (15) Maintain a record of solicitations for subcontracts for minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
- (16) Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's equal employment policy and affirmative action obligations.
- (h) The Contractor is encouraged to participate in voluntary associations that may assist in fulfilling one or more of the affirmative action obligations contained in subparagraphs (g)(1) through (16) of this clause. The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant may be asserted as fulfilling one or more of its obligations under subparagraphs (g)(1) through (16) of this clause, provided the Contractor--
 - (1) Actively participates in the group;
- (2) Makes every effort to ensure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry;
- (3) Ensures that concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation;
 - (4) Makes a good-faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables; and
- (5) Can provide access to documentation that demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply is the Contractor's, and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.
- (i) A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women shall be established. The Contractor is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and nonminority. Consequently, the Contractor may be in violation of Executive Order 11246, as amended, if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner.
- (j) The Contractor shall not use goals or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (k) The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts under Executive Order 11246, as amended.
- (I) The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of this clause and of the Equal Opportunity clause, including suspension, termination, and cancellation of existing subcontracts, as may be imposed or ordered under Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the OFCCP. Any failure to carry out these sanctions and penalties as ordered shall be a violation of this clause and Executive Order 11246, as amended.

- (m) The Contractor in fulfilling its obligations under this clause shall implement affirmative action procedures at least as extensive as those prescribed in paragraph (g) of this clause, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, the implementing regulations, or this clause, the Deputy Assistant Secretary shall take action as prescribed in 41 CFR 60-4.8.
 - (n) The Contractor shall designate a responsible official to--
- (1) Monitor all employment-related activity to ensure that the Contractor's equal employment policy is being carried out:
 - (2) Submit reports as may be required by the Government; and
- (3) Keep records that shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone number, construction trade, union affiliation (if any), employee identification number, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice, trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, separate records are not required to be maintained.
- (o) Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws that establish different standards of compliance or upon the requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program). (End of Clause)

SUBCONTRACTING

82. FAR 52.209-6 PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN SUBCONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, OR PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT (SEP 2006)

- (a) The Government suspends or debars Contractors to protect the Government's interests. The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract in excess of \$30,000 with a Contractor that is debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment unless there is a compelling reason to do so.
- (b) The Contractor shall require each proposed first-tier subcontractor, whose subcontract will exceed \$30,000, to disclose to the Contractor, in writing, whether as of the time of award of the subcontract, the subcontractor, or its principals, is or is not debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by the Federal Government.
- (c) A corporate officer or a designee of the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer, in writing, before entering into a subcontract with a party that is debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment (see FAR 9.404 for information on the Excluded Parties List System). The notice must include the following:
 - (1) The name of the subcontractor.
 - (2) The Contractor's knowledge of the reasons for the subcontractor being in the Excluded Parties List System.
- (3) The compelling reason(s) for doing business with the subcontractor notwithstanding its inclusion in the Excluded Parties List System.
- (4) The systems and procedures the Contractor has established to ensure that it is fully protecting the Government's interests when dealing with such subcontractor in view of the specific basis for the party's debarment, suspension, or proposed debarment. (End of Clause)

83. FAR 52.219-8 UTILIZATION OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (MAY 2004)

- (a) It is the policy of the United States that small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, and women-owned small business concerns shall have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in performing contracts let by any Federal agency, including contracts and subcontracts for subsystems, assemblies, components, and related services for major systems. It is further the policy of the United States that its prime contractors establish procedures to ensure the timely payment of amounts due pursuant to the terms of their subcontracts with small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, and women-owned small business concerns.
- (b) The Contractor hereby agrees to carry out this policy in the awarding of subcontracts to the fullest extent consistent with efficient contract performance. The Contractor further agrees to cooperate in any studies or surveys as

may be conducted by the United States Small Business Administration or the awarding agency of the United States as may be necessary to determine the extent of the Contractor's compliance with this clause.

(c) Definitions. As used in this contract-

"HUBZone small business concern" means a small business concern that appears on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration.

"Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern"—

- (1) Means a small business concern-
- (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

"Small business concern" means a small business as defined pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act and relevant regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

"Small disadvantaged business concern" means a small business concern that represents, as part of its offer that—

- (1) It has received certification as a small disadvantaged business concern consistent with 13 CFR Part 124, Subpart B;
 - (2) No material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification;
- (3) Where the concern is owned by one or more individuals, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and
- (4) It is identified, on the date of its representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net).

"Veteran-owned small business concern" means a small business concern—

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
 - (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

"Women-owned small business concern" means a small business concern—

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women, or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
 - (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
- (d) Contractors acting in good faith may rely on written representations by their subcontractors regarding their status as a small business concern, a veteran-owned small business concern, a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern, a HUBZone small business concern, a small disadvantaged business concern, or a women-owned small business concern. (End of clause)

84. FAR 52.219-9 SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (NOV 2007) (Applicable to solicitations and contracts that are expected to exceed \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility)

- (a) This clause does not apply to small business concerns.
- (b) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Alaska Native Corporation (ANC)" means any Regional Corporation, Village Corporation, Urban Corporation, or Group Corporation organized under the laws of the State of Alaska in accordance with the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.) and which is considered a minority and economically disadvantaged concern under the criteria at 43 U.S.C. 1626(e)(1). This definition also includes ANC direct and indirect subsidiary corporations, joint ventures, and partnerships that meet the requirements of 43 U.S.C. 1626(e)(2).

"Commercial item" means a product or service that satisfies the definition of commercial item in section <u>2.101</u> of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

"Commercial plan" means a subcontracting plan (including goals) that covers the offeror's fiscal year and that applies to the entire production of commercial items sold by either the entire company or a portion thereof (e.g., division, plant, or product line).

"Indian tribe" means any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community, including native villages and native groups (including corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C.A. 1601 et seq.), that is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 1452(c). This definition also includes Indian-owned economic enterprises that meet the requirements of 25 U.S.C. 1452(e).

"Individual contract plan" means a subcontracting plan that covers the entire contract period (including option periods), applies to a specific contract, and has goals that are based on the offeror's planned subcontracting in support of the specific contract, except that indirect costs incurred for common or joint purposes may be allocated on a prorated basis to the contract.

"Master plan" means a subcontracting plan that contains all the required elements of an individual contract plan, except goals, and may be incorporated into individual contract plans, provided the master plan has been approved.

"Subcontract" means any agreement (other than one involving an employer-employee relationship) entered into by a Federal Government prime Contractor or subcontractor calling for supplies or services required for performance of the contract or subcontract.

- (c) The offeror, upon request by the Contracting Officer, shall submit and negotiate a subcontracting plan, where applicable, that separately addresses subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns. If the offeror is submitting an individual contract plan, the plan must separately address subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns, with a separate part for the basic contract and separate parts for each option (if any). The plan shall be included in and made a part of the resultant contract. The subcontracting plan shall be negotiated within the time specified by the Contracting Officer. Failure to submit and negotiate the subcontracting plan shall make the offeror ineligible for award of a contract.
 - (d) The offeror's subcontracting plan shall include the following:
- (1) Goals, expressed in terms of percentages of total planned subcontracting dollars, for the use of small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns as subcontractors. The offeror shall include all sub-contracts that contribute to contract performance, and may include a proportionate share of products and services that are normally allocated as indirect costs. In accordance with <u>43 U.S.C. 1626</u>:
- (i) Subcontracts awarded to an ANC or Indian tribe shall be counted towards the subcontracting goals for small business and small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns, regardless of the size or Small Business Administration certification status of the ANC or Indian tribe.
- (ii) Where one or more subcontractors are in the subcontract tier between the prime contractor and the ANC or Indian tribe, the ANC or Indian tribe shall designate the appropriate contractor(s) to count the subcontract towards its small business and small disadvantaged business subcontracting goals.
- (A) In most cases, the appropriate Contractor is the Contractor that awarded the subcontract to the ANC or Indian tribe.
- (B) If the ANC or Indian tribe designates more than one Contractor to count the subcontract toward its goals, the ANC or Indian tribe shall designate only a portion of the total subcontract award to each Contractor. The sum of the amounts designated to various Contractors cannot exceed the total value of the subcontract.
- (C) The ANC or Indian tribe shall give a copy of the written designation to the Contracting Officer, the prime Contractor, and the subcontractors in between the prime Contractor and the ANC or Indian tribe within 30 days of the date of the subcontract award.
- (D) If the Contracting Officer does not receive a copy of the ANC's or the Indian tribe's written designation within 30 days of the subcontract award, the Contractor that awarded the subcontract to the ANC or Indian tribe will be considered the designated Contractor.
 - (2) A statement of-
- (i) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted for an individual contract plan; or the offeror's total projected sales, expressed in dollars, and the total value of projected subcontracts to support the sales for a commercial plan;
 - (ii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small business concerns (including ANC and Indian tribes);
 - (iii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to veteran-owned small business concerns;
 - (iv) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to service-disabled veteran-owned small business;
 - (v) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to HUBZone small business concerns;

- (vi) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small disadvantaged business concerns (including ANCs and Indian tribes); and
 - (vii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to women-owned small business concerns.
- (3) A description of the principal types of supplies and services to be subcontracted, and an identification of the types planned for subcontracting to—
 - (i) Small business concerns;
 - (ii) Veteran-owned small business concerns;
 - (iii) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns;
 - (iv) HUBZone small business concerns;
 - (v) Small disadvantaged business concerns; and
 - (vi) Women-owned small business concerns.
 - (4) A description of the method used to develop the subcontracting goals in paragraph (d)(1) of this clause.
- (5) A description of the method used to identify potential sources for solicitation purposes (e.g., existing company source lists, the Procurement Marketing and Access Network (PRO-Net) of the Small Business Administration (SBA), veterans service organizations, the National Minority Purchasing Council Vendor Information Service, the Research and Information Division of the Minority Business Development Agency in the Department of Commerce, or small, HUBZone, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business trade associations). A firm may rely on the information contained in PRO-Net as an accurate representation of a concern's size and ownership characteristics for the purposes of maintaining a small, veteran-owned small, service-disabled veteran-owned small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business source list. Use of PRO-Net as its source list does not relieve a firm of its responsibilities (e.g., outreach, assistance, counseling, or publicizing subcontracting opportunities) in this clause.
- (6) A statement as to whether or not the offeror included indirect costs in establishing subcontracting goals, and a description of the method used to determine the proportionate share of indirect costs to be incurred with—
 - (i) Small business concerns (including ANC and Indian tribes);
 - (ii) Veteran-owned small business concerns;
 - (iii) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns:
 - (iv) HUBZone small business concerns;
 - (v) Small disadvantaged business concerns (including ANC and Indian tribes); and
 - (vi) Women-owned small business concerns.
- (7) The name of the individual employed by the offeror who will administer the offeror's subcontracting program, and a description of the duties of the individual.
- (8) A description of the efforts the offeror will make to assure that small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns have an equitable opportunity to compete for subcontracts.
- (9) Assurances that the offeror will include the clause of this contract entitled "Utilization of Small Business Concerns" in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities, and that the offeror will require all subcontractors (except small business concerns) that receive subcontracts in excess of \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility) to adopt a subcontracting plan that complies with the requirements of this clause.
 - (10) Assurances that the offeror will-
 - (i) Cooperate in any studies or surveys as may be required;
- (ii) Submit periodic reports so that the Government can determine the extent of compliance by the offeror with the subcontracting plan;
- (iii) Submit Standard Form (SF) 294, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts, and/or SF 295, Summary Subcontract Report, in accordance with paragraph (j) of this clause. The reports shall provide information on subcontract awards to small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, women-owned small business concerns, and Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions. Reporting shall be in accordance with the instructions on the forms or as provided in agency regulations.
 - (iv) Ensure that its subcontractors agree to submit SF 294 and SF 295.
- (11) A description of the types of records that will be maintained concerning procedures that have been adopted to comply with the requirements and goals in the plan, including establishing source lists; and a description of the offeror's efforts to locate small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns and

award subcontracts to them. The records shall include at least the following (on a plant-wide or company-wide basis, unless otherwise indicated):

- (i) Source lists (e.g., PRO-Net), guides, and other data that identify small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns.
- (ii) Organizations contacted in an attempt to locate sources that are small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, or women-owned small business concerns.
 - (iii) Records on each subcontract solicitation resulting in an award of more than \$100,000, indicating—
 - (A) Whether small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
 - (B) Whether veteran-owned small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
 - (C) Whether service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
 - (D) Whether HUBZone small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
 - (E) Whether small disadvantaged business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
 - (F) Whether women-owned small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not; and
 - (G) If applicable, the reason award was not made to a small business concern.
 - (iv) Records of any outreach efforts to contact-
 - (A) Trade associations;
 - (B) Business development organizations:
- (C) Conferences and trade fairs to locate small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business sources; and
 - (D) Veterans service organizations.
 - (v) Records of internal guidance and encouragement provided to buyers through—
 - (A) Workshops, seminars, training, etc.; and
 - (B) Monitoring performance to evaluate compliance with the program's requirements.
- (vi) On a contract-by-contract basis, records to support award data submitted by the offeror to the Government, including the name, address, and business size of each subcontractor. Contractors having commercial plans need not comply with this requirement.
- (e) In order to effectively implement this plan to the extent consistent with efficient contract performance, the Contractor shall perform the following functions:
- (1) Assist small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns by arranging solicitations, time for the preparation of bids, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules so as to facilitate the participation by such concerns. Where the Contractor's lists of potential small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business subcontractors are excessively long, reasonable effort shall be made to give all such small business concerns an opportunity to compete over a period of time.
- (2) Provide adequate and timely consideration of the potentialities of small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns in all "make-or-buy" decisions.
- (3) Counsel and discuss subcontracting opportunities with representatives of small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business firms.
- (4) Confirm that a subcontractor representing itself as a HUBZone small business concern is identified as a certified HUBZone small business concern by accessing the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database or by contacting SBA.
- (5) Provide notice to subcontractors concerning penalties and remedies for misrepresentations of business status as small, veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, or women-owned small business for the purpose of obtaining a subcontract that is to be included as part or all of a goal contained in the Contractor's subcontracting plan.
- (f) A master plan on a plant or division-wide basis that contains all the elements required by paragraph (d) of this clause, except goals, may be incorporated by reference as a part of the subcontracting plan required of the offeror by this clause; provided—
 - (1) The master plan has been approved;

- (2) The offeror ensures that the master plan is updated as necessary and provides copies of the approved master plan, including evidence of its approval, to the Contracting Officer; and
- (3) Goals and any deviations from the master plan deemed necessary by the Contracting Officer to satisfy the requirements of this contract are set forth in the individual subcontracting plan.
- (g) A commercial plan is the preferred type of subcontracting plan for contractors furnishing commercial items. The commercial plan shall relate to the offeror's planned subcontracting generally, for both commercial and Government business, rather than solely to the Government contract. Commercial plans are also preferred for subcontractors that provide commercial items under a prime contract, whether or not the prime contractor is supplying a commercial item.
- (h) Prior compliance of the offeror with other such subcontracting plans under previous contracts will be considered by the Contracting Officer in determining the responsibility of the offeror for award of the contract.
 - (i) The failure of the Contractor or subcontractor to comply in good faith with—
 - (1) The clause of this contract entitled "Utilization Of Small Business Concerns;" or
 - (2) An approved plan required by this clause, shall be a material breach of the contract.
 - (j) The Contractor shall submit the following reports:
- (1) <u>Standard Form 294</u>, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts. This report shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer semiannually and at contract completion. The report covers subcontract award data related to this contract. This report is not required for commercial plans.
- (2) <u>Standard Form 295</u>, Summary Subcontract Report. This report encompasses all of the contracts with the awarding agency. It must be submitted semi-annually for contracts with the Department of Defense and annually for contracts with civilian agencies. If the reporting activity is covered by a commercial plan, the reporting activity must report annually all subcontract awards under that plan. All reports submitted at the close of each fiscal year (both individual and commercial plans) shall include a breakout, in the Contractor's format, of subcontract awards, in whole dollars, to small disadvantaged business concerns by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Subsector. For a commercial plan, the Contractor may obtain from each of its subcontractors a predominant NAICS Industry Subsector and report all awards to that subcontractor under its predominant NAICS Industry Subsector. (End of clause)

Alternate I (Oct 2001). When contracting by sealed bidding rather than by negotiation, substitute the following paragraph (c) for paragraph (c) of the basic clause:

(c) The apparent low bidder, upon request by the Contracting Officer, shall submit a subcontracting plan, where applicable, that separately addresses subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns. If the bidder is submitting an individual contract plan, the plan must separately address subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns, with a separate part for the basic contract and separate parts for each option (if any). The plan shall be included in and made a part of the resultant contract. The subcontracting plan shall be submitted within the time specified by the Contracting Officer. Failure to submit the subcontracting plan shall make the bidder ineligible for the award of a contract

Alternate II (Oct 2001). As prescribed in 19.708(b)(1), substitute the following paragraph (c) for paragraph (c) of the basic clause:

(c) Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation shall include a subcontracting plan that separately addresses subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns. If the offeror is submitting an individual contract plan, the plan must separately address subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns, with a separate part for the basic contract and separate parts for each option (if any). The plan shall be included in and made a part of the resultant contract. The subcontracting plan shall be negotiated within the time specified by the Contracting Officer. Failure to submit and negotiate a subcontracting plan shall make the offeror ineligible for award of a contract.

85. FAR 52.219-16 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES - SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (JAN 1999)

- (a) "Failure to make a good faith effort to comply with the subcontracting plan," as used in this clause, means a willful or intentional failure to perform in accordance with the requirements of the subcontracting plan approved under the clause in this contract entitled "Small Business Subcontracting Plan," or willful or intentional action to frustrate the plan.
- (b) Performance shall be measured by applying the percentage goals to the total actual subcontracting dollars or, if a commercial plan is involved, to the pro rata share of actual subcontracting dollars attributable to Government contracts covered by the commercial plan. If, at contract completion, or in the case of a commercial plan, at the close

of the fiscal year for which the plan is applicable, the Contractor has failed to meet its subcontracting goals and the Contracting Officer decides in accordance with paragraph (c) of this clause that the Contractor failed to make a good faith effort to comply with its subcontracting plan, established in accordance with the clause in this contract entitled "Small Business Subcontracting Plan," the Contractor shall pay the Government liquidated damages in an amount stated. The amount of probable damages attributable to the Contractor's failure to comply shall be an amount equal to the actual dollar amount by which the Contractor failed to achieve each subcontract goal.

- (c) Before the Contracting Officer makes a final decision that the Contractor has failed to make such good faith effort, the Contracting Officer shall give the Contractor written notice specifying the failure and permitting the Contractor to demonstrate what good faith efforts have been made and to discuss the matter. Failure to respond to the notice may be taken as an admission that no valid explanation exists. If, after consideration of all the pertinent data, the Contracting Officer finds that the Contractor failed to make a good faith effort to comply with the subcontracting plan, the Contracting Officer shall issue a final decision to that effect and require that the Contractor pay the Government liquidated damages as provided in paragraph (b) of this clause.
- (d) With respect to commercial plans, the Contracting Officer who approved the plan will perform the functions of the Contracting Officer under this clause on behalf of all agencies with contracts covered by the commercial plan.
- (e) The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under the clause in this contract entitled "Disputes," from any final decision of the Contracting Officer.
 - (f) Liquidated damages shall be in addition to any other remedies that the Government may have. (End of Clause)

86. FAR 52.244-2 SUBCONTRACTS (JUN 2007)

SUBCONTRACTS (JUNE 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Approved purchasing system" means a Contractor's purchasing system that has been reviewed and approved in accordance with Part 44 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

"Consent to subcontract" means the Contracting Officer's written consent for the Contractor to enter into a particular subcontract.

"Subcontract" means any contract, as defined in FAR <u>Subpart 2.1</u>, entered into by a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of the prime contract or a subcontract. It includes, but is not limited to, purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.

- (b) When this clause is included in a fixed-price type contract, consent to subcontract is required only on unpriced contract actions (including unpriced modifications or unpriced delivery orders), and only if required in accordance with paragraph (c) or (d) of this clause.
- (c) If the Contractor does not have an approved purchasing system, consent to subcontract is required for any subcontract that—
 - (1) Is of the cost-reimbursement, time-and-materials, or labor-hour type; or
 - (2) Is fixed-price and exceeds-
- (i) For a contract awarded by the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard, or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the greater of the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract; or
- (ii) For a contract awarded by a civilian agency other than the Coast Guard and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, either the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract.
- (d) If the Contractor has an approved purchasing system, the Contractor nevertheless shall obtain the Contracting Officer's written consent before placing the following subcontracts:

- (i) A description of the supplies or services to be subcontracted.
- (ii) Identification of the type of subcontract to be used.

⁽e)(1) The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer reasonably in advance of placing any subcontract or modification thereof for which consent is required under paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this clause, including the following information:

- (iii) Identification of the proposed subcontractor.
- (iv) The proposed subcontract price.
- (v) The subcontractor's current, complete, and accurate cost or pricing data and Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, if required by other contract provisions.
- (vi) The subcontractor's Disclosure Statement or Certificate relating to Cost Accounting Standards when such data are required by other provisions of this contract.
 - (vii) A negotiation memorandum reflecting-
 - (A) The principal elements of the subcontract price negotiations;
 - (B) The most significant considerations controlling establishment of initial or revised prices;
 - (C) The reason cost or pricing data were or were not required;
- (D) The extent, if any, to which the Contractor did not rely on the subcontractor's cost or pricing data in determining the price objective and in negotiating the final price;
- (E) The extent to which it was recognized in the negotiation that the subcontractor's cost or pricing data were not accurate, complete, or current; the action taken by the Contractor and the subcontractor; and the effect of any such defective data on the total price negotiated;
- (F) The reasons for any significant difference between the Contractor's price objective and the price negotiated; and
- (G) A complete explanation of the incentive fee or profit plan when incentives are used. The explanation shall identify each critical performance element, management decisions used to quantify each incentive element, reasons for the incentives, and a summary of all trade-off possibilities considered.
- (2) The Contractor is not required to notify the Contracting Officer in advance of entering into any subcontract for which consent is not required under paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this clause.
- (f) Unless the consent or approval specifically provides otherwise, neither consent by the Contracting Officer to any subcontract nor approval of the Contractor's purchasing system shall constitute a determination—
 - (1) Of the acceptability of any subcontract terms or conditions;
 - (2) Of the allowability of any cost under this contract; or
 - (3) To relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for performing this contract.
- (g) No subcontract or modification thereof placed under this contract shall provide for payment on a cost-plus-a-percentage-of-cost basis, and any fee payable under cost-reimbursement type subcontracts shall not exceed the fee limitations in FAR <u>15.404-4</u>(c)(4)(i).
- (h) The Contractor shall give the Contracting Officer immediate written notice of any action or suit filed and prompt notice of any claim made against the Contractor by any subcontractor or vendor that, in the opinion of the Contractor, may result in litigation related in any way to this contract, with respect to which the Contractor may be entitled to reimbursement from the Government.
- (i) The Government reserves the right to review the Contractor's purchasing system as set forth in FAR <u>Subpart 44.3</u>.

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87. FAR 52.244-6 SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAR 2007)

- (a) Definitions. As used in this clause—
- "Commercial item" has the meaning contained in Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101, Definitions.
- "Subcontract" includes a transfer of commercial items between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the Contractor or subcontractor at any tier.
- (b) To the maximum extent practicable, the Contractor shall incorporate, and require its subcontractors at all tiers to incorporate, commercial items or nondevelopmental items as components of items to be supplied under this contract.
 - (c)(1) The Contractor shall insert the following clauses in subcontracts for commercial items:
- (i) <u>52.219-8</u>, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (May 2004) (<u>15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2)</u> and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business

concerns) exceeds \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

- (ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- (iii) <u>52.222-35</u>, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (Sept 2006) (<u>38 U.S.C. 4212(a)</u>);
 - (iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (June 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (v) <u>52.222-39</u>, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (Dec 2004) (E.O. 13201). Flow down as required in accordance with paragraph (g) of FAR clause 52.222-39).
- (vi) <u>52.247-64</u>, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (<u>46 U.S.C.</u> App. 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631) (flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64).
- (2) While not required, the Contractor may flow down to subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.
- (d) The Contractor shall include the terms of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in subcontracts awarded under this contract. (End of clause)

PATENTS, DATA, AND COPYRIGHTS

88. FAR 52.227-1 AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT (DEC 2007)

- (a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture, in performing this contract or any subcontract at any tier, of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent—
- (1) Embodied in the structure or composition of any article the delivery of which is accepted by the Government under this contract; or
- (2) Used in machinery, tools, or methods whose use necessarily results from compliance by the Contractor or a subcontractor with (i) specifications or written provisions forming a part of this contract or (ii) specific written instructions given by the Contracting Officer directing the manner of performance, the entire liability to the Government for infringement of a United States patent shall be determined solely by the provisions of the indemnity clause, if any, included in this contract or any subcontract hereunder (including any lower-tier subcontract), and the Government assumes liability for all other infringement to the extent of the authorization and consent hereinabove granted.
- (b) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts that are expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. However, omission of this clause from any subcontract, including those at or below the simplified acquisition threshold, does not affect this authorization and consent. (End of clause)

Alternate I (Apr 1984). As prescribed in <u>27.201-2(a)(2)</u>, substitute the following paragraph (a) for paragraph (a) of the basic clause:

(a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent in the performance of this contract or any subcontract at any tier.

Alternate II (Apr 1984). As prescribed in <u>27.201-2(a)(3)</u>, substitute the following paragraph (a) for paragraph (a) of the basic clause:

- (a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture in the performance of any order at any tier or subcontract at any tier placed under this contract for communication services and facilities for which rates, charges, and tariffs are *not* established by a government regulatory body, of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent—
 - (1) Embodied in the structure or composition of any article the delivery of which is accepted by the Government under this contract; or
- (2) Used in machinery, tools, or methods whose use necessarily results from compliance by the Contractor or a subcontractor with specifications or written provisions forming a part of this contract or with specific written instructions given by the Contracting Officer directing the manner of performance.

89. FAR 52.227-2 NOTICE AND ASSISTANCE REGARDING PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT (dec 2007)

- (a) The Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer, promptly and in reasonable written detail, each notice or claim of patent or copyright infringement based on the performance of this contract of which the Contractor has knowledge.
- (b) In the event of any claim or suit against the Government on account of any alleged patent or copyright infringement arising out of the performance of this contract or out of the use of any supplies furnished or work or services performed under this contract, the Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when requested by the Contracting Officer, all evidence and information in the Contractor's possession pertaining to such claim or suit. Such

evidence and information shall be furnished at the expense of the Government except where the Contractor has agreed to indemnify the Government.

(c) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts that are expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. (End of clause)

90. FAR 52.227-4 PATENT INDEMNITY - CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (DEC 2007)

Except as otherwise provided, the Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, agents, and employees against liability, including costs and expenses, for infringement of any United States patent (except a patent issued upon an application that is now or may hereafter be withheld from issue pursuant to a Secrecy Order under (35 U.S.C. 181) arising out of performing this contract or out of the use or disposal by or for the account of the Government of supplies furnished or work performed under this contract. (End of clause)

Alternate I (Dec 2007). As prescribed in <u>27.201-2(d)(2)</u>, designate the first paragraph of the basic clause as paragraph (a) and add the following paragraph (b) to the basic clause:

(b) This patent indemnification shall not apply to the following items:

[Contracting Officer list the items to be excluded.]

TAXES

91. FAR 52.229-3 FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL TAXES (APR 2003)

(a) As used in this clause—

"After-imposed Federal tax" means any new or increased Federal excise tax or duty, or tax that was exempted or excluded on the contract date but whose exemption was later revoked or reduced during the contract period, on the transactions or property covered by this contract that the Contractor is required to pay or bear as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action taking effect after the contract date. It does not include social security tax or other employment taxes.

"After-relieved Federal tax" means any amount of Federal excise tax or duty, except social security or other employment taxes, that would otherwise have been payable on the transactions or property covered by this contract, but which the Contractor is not required to pay or bear, or for which the Contractor obtains a refund or drawback, as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action taking effect after the contract date.

"All applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties" means all taxes and duties, in effect on the contract date, that the taxing authority is imposing and collecting on the transactions or property covered by this contract.

"Contract date" means the date set for bid opening or, if this is a negotiated contract or a modification, the effective date of this contract or modification.

"Local taxes" includes taxes imposed by a possession or territory of the United States, Puerto Rico, or the Northern Mariana Islands, if the contract is performed wholly or partly in any of those areas.

- (b) The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.
- (c) The contract price shall be increased by the amount of any after-imposed Federal tax, provided the Contractor warrants in writing that no amount for such newly imposed Federal excise tax or duty or rate increase was included in the contract price, as a contingency reserve or otherwise.
 - (d) The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any after-relieved Federal tax.
- (e) The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any Federal excise tax or duty, except social security or other employment taxes, that the Contractor is required to pay or bear, or does not obtain a refund of, through the Contractor's fault, negligence, or failure to follow instructions of the Contracting Officer.
- (f) No adjustment shall be made in the contract price under this clause unless the amount of the adjustment exceeds \$250.
- (g) The Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer of all matters relating to any Federal excise tax or duty that reasonably may be expected to result in either an increase or decrease in the contract price and shall take appropriate action as the Contracting Officer directs.
- (h) The Government shall, without liability, furnish evidence appropriate to establish exemption from any Federal, State, or local tax when the Contractor requests such evidence and a reasonable basis exists to sustain the exemption. (End of clause)

92. FAR 52.229-4 FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL TAXES (STATE AND LOCAL ADJUSTMENTS (APR 2003)

(a) As used in this clause—

"After-imposed tax" means any new or increased Federal, State, or local tax or duty, or tax that was excluded on the contract date but whose exclusion was later revoked or amount of exemption reduced during the contract period, other than an excepted tax, on the transactions or property covered by this contract that the Contractor is required to pay or bear as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action taking effect after the contract date.

"After-relieved tax" means any amount of Federal, State, or local tax or duty, other than an excepted tax, that would otherwise have been payable on the transactions or property covered by this contract, but which the Contractor is not required to pay or bear, or for which the Contractor obtains a refund or drawback, as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action taking effect after the contract date.

"All applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties" means all taxes and duties, in effect on the contract date, that the taxing authority is imposing and collecting on the transactions or property covered by this contract.

"Contract date" means the effective date of this contract and, for any modification to this contract, the effective date of the modification.

"Excepted tax" means social security or other employment taxes, net income and franchise taxes, excess profits taxes, capital stock taxes, transportation taxes, unemployment compensation taxes, and property taxes. "Excepted tax" does not include gross income taxes levied on or measured by sales or receipts from sales, property taxes assessed on completed supplies covered by this contract, or any tax assessed on the Contractor's possession of, interest in, or use of property, title to which is in the Government.

"Local taxes" includes taxes imposed by a possession or territory of the United States, Puerto Rico, or the Northern Mariana Islands, if the contract is performed wholly or partly in any of those areas.

- (b) Unless otherwise provided in this contract, the contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.
- (c) The contract price shall be increased by the amount of any after-imposed tax, or of any tax or duty specifically 179 excluded from the contract price by a term or condition of this contract that the Contractor is required to pay or bear, including any interest or penalty, if the Contractor states in writing that the contract price does not include any contingency for such tax and if liability for such tax, interest, or penalty was not incurred through the Contractor's fault, negligence, or failure to follow instructions of the Contracting Officer.
- (d) The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any after-relieved tax. The Government shall be entitled to interest received by the Contractor incident to a refund of taxes to the extent that such interest was earned after the Contractor was paid by the Government for such taxes. The Government shall be entitled to repayment of any penalty refunded to the Contractor to the extent that the penalty was paid by the Government.
- (e) The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any Federal, State, or local tax, other than an excepted tax, that was included in the contract price and that the Contractor is required to pay or bear, or does not obtain a refund of, through the Contractor's fault, negligence, or failure to follow instructions of the Contracting Officer.
- (f) No adjustment shall be made in the contract price under this clause unless the amount of the adjustment exceeds \$250.
- (g) The Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer of all matters relating to Federal, State, and local taxes and duties that reasonably may be expected to result in either an increase or decrease in the contract price and shall take appropriate action as the Contracting Officer directs. The contract price shall be equitably adjusted to cover the costs of action taken by the Contractor at the direction of the Contracting Officer, including any interest, penalty, and reasonable attorneys' fees.
- (h) The Government shall furnish evidence appropriate to establish exemption from any Federal, State, or local tax when—
- (1) The Contractor requests such exemption and states in writing that it applies to a tax excluded from the contract price; and
 - (2) A reasonable basis exists to sustain the exemption. (End of clause)

93. FAR 52.229-5 [Reserved]

ADJUSTMENTS

94. FAR 52.243-4 CHANGES (JUN 2007)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may, at any time, without notice to the sureties, if any, by written order designated or indicated to be a change order, make changes in the work within the general scope of the contract, including changes—
 - (1) In the specifications (including drawings and designs);
 - (2) In the method or manner of performance of the work;
 - (3) In the Government-furnished property or services; or
 - (4) Directing acceleration in the performance of the work.
- (b) Any other written or oral order (which, as used in this paragraph (b), includes direction, instruction, interpretation, or determination) from the Contracting Officer that causes a change shall be treated as a change order under this clause; Provided, that the Contractor gives the Contracting Officer written notice stating—
 - (1) The date, circumstances, and source of the order; and
 - (2) That the Contractor regards the order as a change order.
- (c) Except as provided in this clause, no order, statement, or conduct of the Contracting Officer shall be treated as a change under this clause or entitle the Contractor to an equitable adjustment.
- (d) If any change under this clause causes an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, the performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by any such order, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment and modify the contract in writing. However, except for an adjustment based on defective specifications, no adjustment for any change under paragraph (b) of this clause shall be made for any costs incurred more than 20 days before the Contractor gives written notice as required. In the case of defective specifications for which the Government is responsible, the equitable adjustment shall include any increased cost reasonably incurred by the Contractor in attempting to comply with the defective specifications.
- (e) The Contractor must assert its right to an adjustment under this clause within 30 days after (1) receipt of a written change order under paragraph (a) of this clause or (2) the furnishing of a written notice under paragraph (b) of this clause, by submitting to the Contracting Officer a written statement describing the general nature and amount of the proposal, unless this period is extended by the Government. The statement of proposal for adjustment may be included in the notice under paragraph (b) of this clause.
- (f) No proposal by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment shall be allowed if asserted after final payment under this contract. (End of clause)

95. FAR 52.248-3 VALUE ENGINEERING—CONSTRUCTION (SEP 2006)

- (a) General. The Contractor is encouraged to develop, prepare, and submit value engineering change proposals (VECP's) voluntarily. The Contractor shall share in any instant contract savings realized from accepted VECP's, in accordance with paragraph (f) of this clause.
- (b) *Definitions*. "Collateral costs," as used in this clause, means agency costs of operation, maintenance, logistic support, or Government-furnished property.

"Collateral savings," as used in this clause, means those measurable net reductions resulting from a VECP in the agency's overall projected collateral costs, exclusive of acquisition savings, whether or not the acquisition cost changes.

"Contractor's development and implementation costs," as used in this clause, means those costs the Contractor incurs on a V E C P specifically in developing, testing, preparing, and submitting the VECP, as well as those costs the Contractor incurs to make the contractual changes required by Government acceptance of a VECP.

"Government costs," as used in this clause, means those agency costs that result directly from developing and implementing the VECP, such as any net increases in the cost of testing, operations, maintenance, and logistic support. The term does not include the normal administrative costs of processing the VECP.

"Instant contract savings," as used in this clause, means the estimated reduction in Contractor cost of performance resulting from acceptance of the VECP, minus allowable Contractor's development and implementation costs, including subcontractors' development and implementation costs (see paragraph (h) of this clause). "Value engineering change proposal (VECP)" means a proposal that—

- (1) Requires a change to this, the instant contract, to implement; and
- (2) Results in reducing the contract price or estimated cost without impairing essential functions or characteristics; provided, that it does not involve a change—
 - (i) In deliverable end item quantities only; or
 - (ii) To the contract type only.
- (c) VECP preparation. As a minimum, the Contractor shall include in each VECP the information described in paragraphs (c)(1) through (7) of this clause. If the proposed change is affected by contractually required configuration

management or similar procedures, the instructions in those procedures relating to format, identification, and priority assignment shall govern VECP preparation. The VECP shall include the following:

- (1) A description of the difference between the existing contract requirement and that proposed, the comparative advantages and disadvantages of each, a justification when an item's function or characteristics are being altered, and the effect of the change on the end item's performance.
- (2) A list and analysis of the contract requirements that must be changed if the VECP is accepted, including any suggested specification revisions.
- (3) A separate, detailed cost estimate for (i) the affected portions of the existing contract requirement and (ii) the V E C P. The cost reduction associated with the VECP shall take into account the Contractor's allowable development and implementation costs, including any amount attributable to subcontracts under paragraph (h) of this clause.
- (4) A description and estimate of costs the Government may incur in implementing the VECP, such as test and evaluation and operating and support costs.
 - (5) A prediction of any effects the proposed change would have on collateral costs to the agency.
- (6) A statement of the time by which a contract modification accepting the VECP must be issued in order to achieve the maximum cost reduction, noting any effect on the contract completion time or delivery schedule.
- (7) Identification of any previous submissions of the VECP, including the dates submitted, the agencies and contract numbers involved, and previous Government actions, if known.
- (d) Submission. The Contractor shall submit VECP's to the Resident Engineer at the worksite, with a copy to the Contracting Officer.
- (e) Government action. (1) The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor of the status of the VECP within 45 calendar days after the contracting office receives it. If additional time is required, the Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor within the 45-day period and provide the reason for the delay and the expected date of the decision. The Government will process VECP's expeditiously; however, it will not be liable for any delay in acting upon a VECP.
- (2) If the VECP is not accepted, the Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor in writing, explaining the reasons for rejection. The Contractor may withdraw any VECP, in whole or in part, at any time before it is accepted by the Government. The Contracting Officer may require that the Contractor provide written notification before undertaking significant expenditures for VECP effort.
- (3) Any VECP may be accepted, in whole or in part, by the Contracting Officer's award of a modification to this contract citing this clause. The Contracting Officer may accept the VECP, even though an agreement on price reduction has not been reached, by issuing the Contractor a notice to proceed with the change. Until a notice to proceed is issued or a contract modification applies a VECP to this contract, the Contractor shall perform in accordance with the existing contract. The decision to accept or reject all or part of any VECP is a unilateral decision made solely at the discretion of the Contracting Officer.
- (f) Sharing—(1) Rates. The Government's share of savings is determined by subtracting Government costs from instant contract savings and multiplying the result by—
 - (i) 45 percent for fixed-price contracts; or
 - (ii) 75 percent for cost-reimbursement contracts.
- (2) P a y m e n t. Payment of any share due the Contractor for use of a VECP on this contract shall be authorized by a modification to this contract to—
 - (i) Accept the VECP;
 - (ii) Reduce the contract price or estimated cost by the amount of instant contract savings; and
 - (iii) Provide the Contractor's share of savings by adding the amount calculated to the contract price or fee.
- (g) Collateral savings. If a VECP is accepted, the Contracting Officer will increase the instant contract amount by 20 percent of any projected collateral savings determined to be realized in a typical year of use after subtracting any Government costs not previously offset. However, the Contractor's share of collateral savings will not exceed the contract's firm-fixed-price or estimated cost, at the time the VECP is accepted, or \$100,000, whichever is greater. The Contracting Officer is the sole determiner of the amount of collateral savings.
- (h) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include an appropriate value engineering clause in any subcontract of \$55,000 or more and may include one in subcontracts of lesser value. In computing any adjustment in this contract's price under paragraph (f) of this clause, the Contractor's allowable development and implementation costs shall include any subcontractor's allowable development and implementation costs clearly resulting from a VECP accepted by the Government under this contract, but shall exclude any value engineering incentive payments to a subcontractor. The Contractor may choose any arrangement for subcontractor value engineering incentive payments; provided, that these payments shall not reduce the Government's share of the savings resulting from the VECP.

(i) Data. The Contractor may restrict the Government's right to use any part of a VECP or the supporting data by marking the following legend on the affected parts:

These data, furnished under the Value Engineering—Construction clause of contract ______, shall not be disclosed outside the Government or duplicated, used, or disclosed, in whole or in part, for any purpose other than to evaluate a value engineering change proposal submitted under the clause. This restriction does not limit the Government's right to use information contained in these data if it has been obtained or is otherwise available from the Contractor or from another source without limitations.

If a VECP is accepted, the Contractor hereby grants the Government unlimited rights in the VECP and supporting data, except that, with respect to data qualifying and submitted as limited rights technical data, the Government shall have the rights specified in the contract modification implementing the VECP and shall appropriately mark the data. (The terms "unlimited rights" and "limited rights" are defined in Part 27 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.) (End of clause)

96. GSAR 552.243-71 EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS (APR 1984)

- (a) The provisions of the "Changes" clause prescribed by FAR 52.243-4 are supplemented as follows:
- (1) Upon written request, the Contractor shall submit a proposal, in accordance with the requirements and limitations set forth in the "Equitable Adjustments" clause, for work involving contemplated changes covered by the request. The proposal shall be submitted within the time limit indicated in the request or any extension of such time limit as may be subsequently granted. The Contractor's written statement of the monetary extent of a claim for equitable adjustment shall be submitted in the following form:
- (i) Proposals totaling \$5,000 or less shall be submitted in the form of a lump sum proposal with supporting information to clearly relate elements of cost with specific items of work involved to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer, or his/her authorized representative.
- (ii) For proposals in excess of \$5,000, the claim for equitable adjustment shall be submitted in the form of a lump sum proposal supported with an itemized breakdown of all increases and decreases in the contract in at least the following detail:

Direct Costs

Material quantities by trades and unit costs (Manufacturing burden associated with material fabrication performed will be considered to be part of the material costs of the fabricated item delivered to the job site)

Labor breakdown by trades and unit costs (Identified with specific item of material to be placed or operation to be performed)

Construction equipment exclusively necessary for the change

Costs of preparation and/or revision to shop drawings resulting from the change

Workers' Compensation and Public Liability Insurance

Employment taxes under FICA and FUTA

Bond Costs - when size of change warrants revision

Overhead, Profit and Commission

(2) The allowable overhead shall be determined in accordance with the contract cost principles and procedures in Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Part 31) in effect on the date of this contract. The percentages for profit and commission shall be negotiated and may vary according to the nature, extent and complexity of the work involved, but in no case shall exceed the following unless the contractor demonstrates entitlement to a higher percentage:

To Contractor on work performed by			Overhead	Profit	Commission
other than his own forces	 *****				10%
To first tier subcontractor on work					

performed by his subcontractors					10%
Overhead To Contractor	d Profit	Commission			
and/or the subcontractors for that portion of the work performed with					
their respective forces			To Be Negotiated	10%	

Not more than four percentages will be allowed regardless the number of tier subcontractors. The Contractor shall not be allowed a commission on the commission received by a first tier subcontractor. Equitable adjustments for deleted work shall include credits for overhead, profit and commission. On proposals covering both increases and decreases in the amount of the contract, the application of overhead and profit shall be on the net change in direct costs for the Contractor or subcontractor performing the work.

- (3) The Contractor shall submit with the proposal his request for time extension (if any), and shall include sufficient information and dates to demonstrate whether and to what extent the change will delay the contract in its entirety.
- (4) In considering a proposal, the Government shall make check estimates in detail, utilizing unit prices where specified or agreed upon, with a view to arriving at an equitable adjustment.
- (5) After receipt of a proposal the Contracting Officer shall act thereon, within 30 days; provided however, that when the necessity to proceed with a change does not allow time properly to check a proposal or in the event of failure to reach an agreement on a proposal, the Government may order the Contractor to proceed on the basis of price to be determined at the earliest practicable date. Such price shall not be more than the increase or less than the decrease proposed.
- (6) If a mutually acceptable agreement cannot be reached, the Contracting Officer may determine the price unilaterally.
- (b) The provisions of the "Differing Site Conditions" clause prescribed by FAR 52.236-2 are supplemented as follows: The Contractor shall submit all claims for equitable adjustment in accordance with, and subject to the requirements and limitations set out in paragraph (a) of this "Equitable Adjustments" clause. (End of Clause)

97. EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS: WAIVER AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS

The "Equitable Adjustments" clause of the contract is supplemented as follows:

(a) Whenever the Contractor, after receipt of notification of a change made pursuant to the clause of the contract entitled "Changes" or after affirmation of a constructive change thereunder, submits any claim for equitable adjustment under that clause, such claim shall include all types of adjustments in the total amounts to which that clause entitles the contractor, including but not limited to adjustments arising out of delays or disruptions or both caused by such change.

Except as the parties may otherwise expressly agree, the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived (i) any adjustments to which it otherwise might be entitled under the aforesaid clause where such claim fails to request such adjustment, and (ii) any increase in the amount of equitable adjustments additional to those requested in its claim.

(b) Further, the Contractor agrees that, if required by the Contracting Officer, he will execute a release, in form and substance satisfactory to the Contracting Officer, as part of the supplemental agreement setting forth the aforesaid adjustment, and that such release shall discharge the Government, its officers, agents and employees from any further claims, including but not limited to further claims arising out of delays or disruptions or both, caused by the aforesaid change.

98. GSAR 552.243-70 PRICING OF ADJUSTMENTS (APR 1989)

When costs are a factor in any determination of a contract price adjustment, such costs shall be in accordance with the contract cost principles and procedures in Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR PART 31) in effect on the date of this contract. (End of Clause)

AUDITS/COST & PRICING DATA

CLAUSES 97, 98, AND 99 APPLY TO CONTRACTS AWARDED VIA SEALED BIDDING.

99. FAR 52.214-26 AUDIT AND RECORDS - SEALED BIDDING (OCT 1997)

- (a) As used in this clause, "records" includes books, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other data, regardless of type and regardless of whether such items are in written form, in the form of computer data, or in any other form.
- (b) Cost or pricing data. If the Contractor has been required to submit cost or pricing data in connection with the pricing of any modification to this contract, the Contracting Officer, or an authorized representative of the Contracting Officer, in order to evaluate the accuracy, completeness, and currency of the cost or pricing data, shall have the right to examine and audit all of the Contractor's records, including computations and projections, related to---
 - (1) The proposal for the modification;
 - (2) The discussions conducted on the proposal(s), including those related to negotiating;
 - (3) Pricing of the modification; or
 - (4) Performance of the modification.
- (c) Comptroller General. In the case of pricing any modification, the Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative, shall have the same rights as specified in paragraph (b) of this clause.
- (d) Availability. The Contractor shall make available at its office at all reasonable times the materials described in paragraph (b) of this clause, for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract, or for any other period specified in Subpart 4.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, in effect on the date of this contract, is incorporated by reference in its entirety and made a part of this contract.
- (1) If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement.
- (2) Records pertaining to appeals under the Disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to the performance of this contract shall be made available until disposition of such appeals, litigation, or claims.
- (e) The Contractor shall insert a clause containing all the provisions of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts expected to exceed the threshold in FAR 15.403-4(a)(1) for submission of cost or pricing data. (End of Clause)

100. FAR 52.214-27 PRICE REDUCTION FOR DEFECTIVE COST OR PRICING DATA - MODIFICATIONS - SEALED BIDDING (OCT 1997)

- (a) This clause shall become operative only for any modification to this contract involving aggregate increases and/or decreases in costs, plus applicable profits, expected to exceed the threshold for submission of cost and pricing data at FAR 15.403-4(a)(1), except that this clause does not apply to a modification if an exception under FAR 15.403-1(b) applies.
- (b) If any price, including profit, negotiated in connection with any modification under this clause, was increased by any significant amount because (1) the Contractor or a subcontractor furnished cost or pricing data that were not complete, accurate, and current as certified in its Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, (2) a subcontractor or prospective subcontractor furnished the Contractor cost or pricing data that were not complete, accurate, and current as certified in the Contractor's Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, or (3) any of these parties furnished data of any description that were not accurate, the price shall be reduced accordingly and the contract shall be modified to reflect the reduction. This right to a price reduction is limited to that resulting from defects in data relating to modifications for which this clause becomes operative under paragraph (a) above.
- (c) Any reduction in the contract price under paragraph (b) above due to defective data from a prospective subcontractor that was not subsequently awarded the subcontract shall be limited to the amount, plus applicable overhead and profit markup, by which (1) the actual subcontract or (2) the actual cost to the Contractor, if there was no subcontract, was less than the prospective subcontract cost estimate submitted by the Contractor; provided, that the actual subcontract price was not itself affected by defective cost or pricing data.
- (d)(1) If the Contracting Officer determines under paragraph (b) of this clause that a price or cost reduction should be made, the Contractor agrees not to raise the following matters as a defense:

- (i) The Contractor or subcontractor was a sole source supplier or otherwise was in a superior bargaining position and thus the price of the contract would not have been modified even if accurate, complete, and current cost or pricing data had been submitted.
- (ii) The Contracting Officer should have known that the cost or pricing data in issue were defective even though the Contractor or subcontractor took no affirmative action to bring the character of the data to the attention of the Contracting Officer.
- (iii) The contract was based on an agreement about the total cost of the contract and there was no agreement about the cost of each item procured under the contract.
 - (iv) The Contractor or subcontractor did not submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data.
- (2)(i) Except as prohibited by subdivision (d)(2)(ii) of this clause, an offset in an amount determined appropriate by the Contracting Officer based upon the facts shall be allowed against the amount of a contract price reduction if --
- (A) The Contractor certifies to the Contracting Officer that, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, the Contractor is entitled to the offset in the amount requested; and
- (B) The Contractor proves that the cost or pricing data were available before the date of agreement on the price of the contract (or price of the modification) and that the data were not submitted before such date.
 - (ii) An offset shall not be allowed if --
- (A) The understated data was known by the Contractor to be understated when the Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data was signed; or
- (B) The Government proves that the facts demonstrate that the contract price would not have increased in the amount to be offset even if the available data had been submitted before the date of agreement on price.
- (e) If any reduction in the contract price under this clause reduces the price of items for which payment was made prior to the date of the modification reflecting the price reduction, the Contractor shall be liable to and shall pay the United States at the time such overpayment is repaid -
- (1) Simple interest on the amount of such overpayment to be computed from the date(s) of overpayment to the Contractor to the date the Government is repaid by the Contractor at the applicable underpayment rate effective for each quarter prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6621(a)(2); and
- (2) A penalty equal to the amount of the overpayment, if the Contractor or subcontractor knowingly submitted cost or pricing data which were incomplete, inaccurate, or noncurrent. (End of Clause)

101. FAR 52.214-28 SUBCONTRACTOR COST OR PRICING DATA - MODIFICATIONS - SEALED BIDDING (OCT 1997)

- (a) The requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of this clause shall (1) become operative only for any modification to this contract involving aggregate increases and/or decreases in costs, plus applicable profits, expected to exceed the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4(a)(1); and (2) be limited to such modifications.
- (b) Before awarding any subcontract expected to exceed the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4(a)(1), on the date of agreement on price or the date of award, whichever is later; or before pricing any subcontract modifications involving aggregate increases and/or decreases in costs, plus applicable profits, expected to exceed the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4(a)(1), the Contractor shall require the subcontractor to submit cost or pricing data (actually or by specific identification in writing), unless an exception under FAR 15.403-1(b) applies.
- (c) The Contractor shall require the subcontractor to certify in substantially the form prescribed in FAR subsection 15.406-2, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the data submitted under paragraph (b) of this clause were accurate, complete, and current as of the date of agreement on the negotiated price of the subcontract or subcontract modification.
- (d) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in each subcontract that, when entered into, exceeds the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4(a)(1). (End of Clause)

CLAUSES 100 THROUGH 107 APPLY TO CONTRACTS AWARDED VIA NEGOTIATION.

102. FAR 52.215-2 AUDIT AND RECORDS -- NEGOTIATION (JUNE 1999)

- (a) As used in this clause, "records" includes books, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other data, regardless of type and regardless of whether such items are in written form, in the form of computer data, or in any other form.
- (b) Examination of costs. If this is a cost-reimbursement, incentive, time-and-materials, labor-hour, or price-redeterminable contract, or any combination of these, the Contractor shall maintain and the Contracting Officer, or an authorized representative of the Contracting Officer, shall have the right to examine and audit all records and other evidence sufficient to reflect properly all costs claimed to have been incurred or anticipated to be incurred directly or indirectly in performance of this contract. This right of examination shall include inspection at all reasonable times of the Contractor's plants, or parts of them, engaged in performing the contract.
- (c) Cost or pricing data. If the Contractor has been required to submit cost or pricing data in connection with any pricing action relating to this contract, the Contracting Officer, or an authorized representative of the Contracting Officer, in order to evaluate the accuracy, completeness and currency of the cost or pricing data, shall have the right to examine and audit all of the Contractor's records, including computations and projections, related to ---
 - (1) The proposal for the contract, subcontract or modification;
 - (2) The discussions conducted on the proposal(s), including those related to negotiating;
 - (3) Pricing of the contract, subcontract, or modification; or
 - (4) Performance of the contract, subcontract or modification.
- (d) Comptroller General. --- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative, shall have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract or a subcontract hereunder.
- (2) This paragraph may not be construed to require the Contractor or subcontractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor or subcontractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (e) Reports. If the Contractor is required to furnish cost, funding, or performance reports, the Contracting Officer or an authorized representative of the Contracting Officer, shall have the right to examine and audit the supporting records and materials, for the purpose of evaluating (1) the effectiveness of the Contractor's policies and procedures to produce data compatible with the objectives of these reports and (2) the data reported.
- (f) Availability. The Contractor shall make available at its office at all reasonable times the records, materials and other evidence described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this clause, for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract, or for any shorter period specified in Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), or for any longer period required by statute or by other clauses of this contract. In addition--
- (1) If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the Contractor shall make available the records relating to the work terminated until 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement; and
- (2) The Contractor shall make available records relating to appeals under the Disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
- (g) The Contractor shall insert a clause containing all the terms of this clause, including this paragraph (g), in all subcontracts under this contract that exceed the simplified acquisition threshold, and ---
- (1) That are cost-reimbursement, incentive, time-and-materials, labor-hour, or price-redeterminable type or any combination of these;
 - (2) For which cost or pricing data are required; or
- (3) That require the subcontractor to furnish reports as discussed in paragraph (e) of this clause. The clause may be altered only as necessary to identify properly the contracting parties and the Contracting Officer under the Government prime contract. (End of Clause)

103. FAR 52.215-10 PRICE REDUCTION FOR DEFECTIVE COST OR PRICING DATA (OCT 1997)

- (a) If any price, including profit or fee, negotiated in connection with this contract, or any cost reimbursable under this contract, was increased by any significant amount because---
- (1) the Contractor or a subcontractor furnished cost or pricing data that were not complete, accurate, and current as certified in its Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data;
- (2) a subcontractor or prospective subcontractor furnished the Contractor cost or pricing data that were not complete, accurate, and current as certified in the Contractor's Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data; or
- (3) any of these parties furnished data of any description that were not accurate, the price or cost shall be reduced accordingly and the contract shall be modified to reflect the reduction.

- (b) Any reduction in the contract price under paragraph (a) of this clause due to defective data from a prospective subcontractor that was not subsequently awarded the subcontract shall be limited to the amount, plus applicable overhead and profit markup, by which--- (1) the actual subcontract; or (2) the actual cost to the Contractor, if there was no subcontract, was less than the prospective subcontract cost estimate submitted by the Contractor; provided, that the actual subcontract price was not itself affected by defective cost or pricing data.
- (c)(1) If the Contracting Officer determines under paragraph (a) of this clause that a price or cost reduction should be made, the Contractor agrees not to raise the following matters as a defense:
- (i) The Contractor or subcontractor was a sole source supplier or otherwise was in a superior bargaining position and thus the price of the contract would not have been modified even if accurate, complete, and current cost or pricing data had been submitted.
- (ii) The Contracting Officer should have known that the cost or pricing data in issue were defective even though the Contractor or subcontractor took no affirmative action to bring the character of the data to the attention of the Contracting Officer.
- (iii) The contract was based on an agreement about the total cost of the contract and there was no agreement about the cost of each item procured under the contract.
 - (iv) The Contractor or subcontractor did not submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data.
- (2)(i) Except as prohibited by subdivision (c)(2)(ii) of this clause, an offset in an amount determined appropriate the Contracting Officer based upon the facts shall be allowed against the amount of a contract price reduction if --
- (A) The Contractor certifies to the Contracting Officer that, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, the Contractor is entitled to the offset in the amount requested; and
- (B) The Contractor proves that the cost or pricing data were available before the "as of" date specified on its Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, and that the data were not submitted before such date.
 - (ii) An offset shall not be allowed if -
- (A) The understated data were known by the Contractor to be understated before the "as of" date specified on its Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data; or
- (B) The Government proves that the facts demonstrate that the contract price would not have increased in the amount to be offset even if the available data had been submitted before the "as of" date specified on its Certificate of Current Cost or pricing Data.
- (d) If any reduction in the contract price under this clause reduces the price of items for which payment was made prior to the date of the modification reflecting the price reduction, the Contractor shall be liable to and shall pay the United States at the time such overpayment is repaid -
- (1) Simple interest on the amount of such overpayment to be computed from the date(s) of overpayment to the Contractor to the date the Government is repaid by the Contractor at the applicable underpayment rate effective for each quarter prescribed by the Secretary of Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6621(a)(2); and
- (2) A penalty equal to the amount of the overpayment, if the Contractor or subcontractor knowingly submitted cost or pricing data that were incomplete, inaccurate, or noncurrent. (End of Clause)

104. FAR 52.215-12 SUBCONTRACTOR COST OR PRICING DATA (OCT 1997)

- (a) Before awarding any subcontract expected to exceed the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4, on the date of agreement on price or the date of award, whichever is later; or before pricing any subcontract modification involving a pricing adjustment expected to exceed the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor to submit cost or pricing data (actually or by specific identification in writing), unless an exception under FAR 15.403-1 applies.
- (b) The Contractor shall require the subcontractor to certify in substantially the form prescribed in FAR 15.406-2 that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the data submitted under paragraph (a) of this clause were accurate, complete, and current as of the date of agreement on the negotiated price of the subcontract or subcontract modification.
- (c) In each subcontract that exceeds the threshold for submission of cost or pricing data at FAR 15.403-4, when entered into, the Contractor shall insert either---
- (1) The substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), if paragraph (a) of this clause requires submission of cost or pricing data for the subcontract; or
- (2) The substance of the clause at FAR 52.215-13, Subcontractor Cost or Pricing Data Modifications. (End of clause)

105. FAR 52.215-15 PENSION ADJUSTMENTS AND ASSET REVERSIONS (OCT 2004)

- (a) The Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer in writing when it determines that it will terminate a defined benefit pension plan or otherwise recapture such pension fund assets.
- (b) For segment closings, pension plan terminations, or curtailment of benefits, the amount of the adjustment shall be—
- (1) For contracts and subcontracts that are subject to full coverage under the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) Board rules and regulations (48 CFR Chapter 99), the amount measured, assigned, and allocated in accordance with 48 CFR 9904.413-50(c)(12); and
- (2) For contracts and subcontracts that are not subject to full coverage under the CAS, the amount measured,
- assigned, and allocated in accordance with 48 CFR 9904.413-50(c)(12), except the numerator of the fraction at 48 CFR 904.413-50(c)(12)(vi) shall be the sum of the pension plan costs allocated to all non-CAS covered contracts and subcontracts that are subject to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 31.2 or for which cost or pricing data were submitted.
- (c) For all other situations where assets revert to the Contractor, or such assets are constructively received by it for any reason, the Contractor shall, at the Government's option, make a refund or give a credit to the Government for its equitable share of the gross amount withdrawn. The Government's equitable share shall reflect the Government's participation in pension costs through those contracts for which cost or pricing data were submitted or that are subject to FAR Subpart 31.2.
- (d) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in all subcontracts under this contract which meet the applicability requirement of FAR 15.408(g). (End of Clause)

106. FAR 52.215-16 FACILITIES CAPITAL COST OF MONEY (JUNE 2003)

- (a) Facilities Capital Cost of Money will be an allowable cost under the contemplated contract, if the criteria for allowability in FAR 31.205-10(b) are met. One of the allowability criteria requires the prospective contractor to propose facilities capital cost of money in its offer.
- (b) If the prospective Contractor does not propose this cost, the resulting contract will include the clause Waiver of Facilities Capital Cost of Money. (End of Clause)

107. FAR 52.215-17 WAIVER OF FACILITIES CAPITAL COST OF MONEY (OCT 1997)

The Contractor did not include facilities capital cost of money as a proposed cost of this contract. Therefore, it is an unallowable cost under this contract. (End of Clause)

108. FAR 52.215-18 REVERSION OR ADJUSTMENT OF PLANS FOR POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS (PRB) OTHER THAN PENSIONS (JUL 2005)

- (a) The Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer in writing when the Contractor determines that it will terminate or reduce the benefits of a PRB plan.
- (b) If PRB fund assets revert or inure to the Contractor, or are constructively received by it under a plan termination or otherwise, the Contractor shall make a refund or give a credit to the Government for its equitable share as required by 31.205-6(o)(5) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). When determining or agreeing on the method for recovery of the Government's equitable share, the contracting parties should consider the following methods: cost reduction, amortizing the credit over a number of years (with appropriate interest), cash refund, or some other agreed upon method. Should the parties be unable to agree on the method for recovery of the Government's equitable share, through good faith negotiations, the Contracting Officer shall designate the method of recovery.
- (c) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause in all subcontracts that meet the applicability requirements of FAR 15.408(j).

109. FAR 52.215-19 NOTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP CHANGES (OCT 1997)

- (a) The Contractor shall make the following notifications in writing:
- (1) When the contractor becomes aware that a change in its ownership has occurred, or is certain to occur, that could result in changes in the valuation of its capitalized assets in the accounting records, the Contractor shall notify the Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO) within 30 days.
- (2) The Contractor shall also notify the ACO within 30 days whenever changes to asset valuations or any other cost changes have occurred or are certain to occur as a result of a change in ownership.

- (b) The Contractor shall ---
 - (1) maintain current, accurate, and complete inventory records of assets and their costs;
 - (2) provide the ACO or designated representative ready access to the records upon request;
- (3) ensure that all individual and grouped assets, their capitalized values, accumulated depreciation or amortization, and remaining useful lives are identified accurately before and after each of the Contractor's ownership changes; and
- (4) retain and continue to maintain depreciation and amortization schedules based on the asset records maintained before each Contractor ownership change.
- (c) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in all subcontracts under this contract that meet the applicability requirement of FAR 15.408(k).

CLAUSE 108 APPLIES TO BOTH SEALED BID AND NEGOTIATED CONTRACTS.

110. GSAR 552.215-70 EXAMINATION OF RECORDS BY GSA (FEB 1996)

The Contractor agrees that the Administrator of General Services or any of his duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of 3 years after final payment under this contract, or of the time periods for the particular records specified in Subpart 4.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 4.7), whichever expires earlier, have access to and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor involving transactions related to this contract or compliance with any clauses thereunder. The Contractor further agrees to include in all his subcontracts hereunder a provision to the effect that the subcontractor agrees that the Administrator of General Services or any of his duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of 3 years after final payment under the subcontract, or of the time periods for the particular records specified in Subpart 4.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 4.7), whichever expires earlier, have access to and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, and records of such subcontractor, involving transactions related to the subcontract or compliance with any clauses thereunder. The term "subcontract" as used in this clause excludes (a) purchase orders not exceeding \$100,000 and (b) subcontracts or purchase orders for public utility services at rates established for uniform applicability to the general public. (End of Clause)

COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

111. FAR 52.230-2 COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (APR 1998)

- (a) Unless the contract is exempt under 48 CFR 9903.201-1 and 9903.201-2, the provisions of 48 CFR, Part 9903 are incorporated herein by reference and the Contractor, in connection with this contract, shall---
- (1) (CAS-covered Contracts Only) By submission of a Disclosure Statement, disclose in writing the Contractor's cost accounting practices as required by 48 CFR 9903.202-1 through 9903.202-5, including methods of distinguishing direct costs from indirect costs and the basis used for allocating indirect costs. The practices disclosed for this contract shall be the same as the practices currently disclosed and applied on all other contracts and subcontracts being performed by the contractor and which contain a Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) clause. If the contractor has notified the Contracting Officer that the Disclosure Statement contains trade secrets and commercial or financial information which is privileged and confidential, the Disclosure Statement shall be protected and shall not be released outside of the Government.
- (2) Follow consistently the Contractor's cost accounting practices in accumulating and reporting contract performance cost data concerning this contract. If any change in cost accounting practices is made for the purpose of any contract or subcontract subject to CAS requirements, the change must be applied prospectively to this contract and the Disclosure Statement must be amended accordingly. If the contract price or cost allowance of this contract is affected by such changes, adjustment shall be made in accordance with subparagraph (a)(4) or (a)(5) of this clause, as appropriate.
- (3) Comply with all CAS, including any modifications and interpretations indicated thereto contained in 48 CFR Part 9904 in effect on the date of award of this contract or, if the Contractor has submitted cost or pricing data, on the date of final agreement on price as shown on the Contractor's signed certificate of current cost or pricing data. The Contractor shall also comply with a CAS (or modifications to CAS) which hereafter become applicable to a contract or subcontract of the Contractor. Such compliance shall be required prospectively from the date of applicability to such contract or subcontract.

- (4)(i) Agree to an equitable adjustment as provided in the Changes Clause of this contract if the contract cost is affected by a change which, pursuant to subparagraph (a)(3) of this clause, the Contractor is required to make the to Contractor's established cost accounting practices.
- (ii) Negotiate with the Contracting Officer to determine the terms and conditions under which a change may be made to a cost accounting practice, other than a change made under other provisions of subparagraph (a)(4) of this clause; provided that no agreement may be made under this provision that will increase costs paid by the United States.
- (iii) When the parties agree to a change to a cost accounting practice, other than a change under subdivision (a)(4)(i) of this clause, negotiate an equitable adjustment as provided in the Change clause of this contract
- (5) Agree to an adjustment of the contract price or cost allowance, as appropriate, if the Contractor or a subcontractor fails to comply with an applicable Cost Accounting Standard, or to follow any cost accounting practice consistently and such failure results in any increased costs paid by the United States. Such adjustment shall provide for recovery of the increased costs to the United States, together with interest thereon computed at the annual rate established under section 6621 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 6621) for such period, from the time the payment by the United States was made to the time the adjustment is effected. In no case shall the Government recover costs greater than the increased cost to the Government, in the aggregate, on the relevant contracts subject to the price adjustment, unless the Contractor made a change in its cost accounting practices of which it was aware or should have been aware at the time of price negotiations and which it failed to disclose to the Government.
- (b) If the parties fail to agree whether the Contractor or a subcontractor has complied with an applicable CAS in 48 CFR, part 9904 or a CAS rule or regulation in 48 CFR, part 9903 and as to any cost adjustment demanded by the United States, such failure to agree will constitute a dispute under the Contract Disputes Act (41 U.S.C. 601).
- (c) The Contractor shall permit any authorized representatives of the Government to examine and make copies of any documents, papers, or records relating to compliance with the requirements of this clause.
- (d) The Contractor shall include in all negotiated subcontracts which the Contractor enters into, the substance of this clause, except paragraph (b), and shall require such inclusion in all other subcontracts, of any tier, including the obligation to comply with all CAS in effect on the subcontractor's award date or if the subcontractor has submitted cost or pricing data, on the date of final agreement on price as shown on the subcontractor's signed Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data. If the subcontract is awarded to a business unit which pursuant to 48 CFR 9903.201-2 is subject to other types of CAS coverage, the substance of the applicable clause set forth in subsection 30.201-4 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation shall be inserted. This requirement shall apply only to negotiated subcontracts in excess of \$500,000, except that the requirement shall not apply to negotiated subcontracts otherwise exempt from the requirement to include a CAS clause as specified in 48 CFR 9903.201-1.

112. FAR 52.230-3 DISCLOSURE AND CONSISTENCY OF COST ACCOUNTING PRACTICES (APR 1998)

- (a) The Contractor, in connection with this contract, shall--
- (1) Comply with the requirements of 48 CFR 9904.401, Consistency in Estimating, Accumulating and Reporting Costs, 48 CFR 9904.402, Consistency in Allocating Costs for the Same Purpose, 48 CFR 9904.405, Accounting for Unallowable Costs, 48 CFR 9904.406, Cost Accounting Standard Cost Accounting Period, in effect on the date of award of the contract, as indicated in 48 CFR Part 9904.
- (2) (CAS-covered Contracts Only) If it is a business unit of a company required to submit a Disclosure Statement, disclose in writing its cost accounting practices as required by 48 CFR 9903.202-1 through 9903.202-5. If the Contractor has notified the Contracting Officer that the Disclosure Statement contains trade secrets and commercial or financial information which is privileged and confidential, the Disclosure Statement shall be protected and shall not be released outside of the Government.
- (3)(i) Follow consistently the Contractor's cost accounting practices. A change to such practices may be proposed, however, by either the Government or the Contractor, and the Contractor agrees to negotiate with the Contracting Officer the terms and conditions under which a change may be made. After the terms and conditions under which the change is to be made have been agreed to, the change must be applied prospectively to this contract, and the Disclosure Statement, if affected, must be amended accordingly.
- (ii) The Contractor shall, when the parties agree to a change to a cost accounting practice and the Contracting Officer has made the finding required in 48 CFR, 9903.201-6(b), that the change is desirable and not detrimental to the interests of the Government, negotiate an equitable adjustment as provided in the Changes clause of this contract. In the absence of the required finding, no agreement may be made under this contract clause that will increase costs paid by the United States.

- (4) Agree to an adjustment of the contract price or cost allowance, as appropriate, if the Contractor or a subcontractor fails to comply with the applicable CAS or to follow any cost accounting practice, and such failure results in any increased costs paid by the United States. Such adjustment shall provide for recovery of the increased costs to the United States together with interest thereon computed at the annual rate of interest established under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 6621), from the time the payment by the United States was made to the time the adjustment is effected.
- (b) If the parties fail to agree whether the Contractor has complied with an applicable CAS, rule, or regulation as specified in 48 CFR, Parts 9903 and 9904 and as to any cost adjustment demanded by the United States, such failure to agree will constitute a dispute under the Contract Disputes Act (41 U.S.C. 601).
- (c) The Contractor shall permit any authorized representatives of the Government to examine and make copies of any documents, papers and records relating to compliance with the requirements of this clause.
- (d) The Contractor shall include in all negotiated subcontracts, which the Contractor enters into, the substance of this clause, except paragraph (b), and shall require such inclusion in all other subcontracts of any tier, except that-
- (1) If the subcontract is awarded to a business unit which pursuant to 48 CFR 9903.201-2 is subject to other types of CAS coverage, the substance of the applicable clause set forth in subsection 30.201-4 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation shall be inserted.
 - (2) This requirement shall apply only to negotiated subcontracts in excess of \$500,000.
- (3) The requirement shall not apply to negotiated subcontracts otherwise exempt from the requirement to include a CAS clause as specified in 48 CFR 9903.201-1. (End of Clause)

113. FAR 52.230-6 ADMINISTRATION OF COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (APR 2005)

For the purpose of administering the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) requirements under this contract, the Contractor shall take the steps outlined in paragraphs (b) through (i) and (k) through (n) of this clause:

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Affected CAS-covered contract or subcontract" means a contract or subcontract subject to CAS rules and regulations for which a Contractor or subcontractor—

- (1) Used one cost accounting practice to estimate costs and a changed cost accounting practice to accumulate and report costs under the contract or subcontract; or
- (2) Used a noncompliant practice for purposes of estimating or accumulating and reporting costs under the contract or subcontract.

"Cognizant Federal agency official (CFAO)" means the Contracting Officer assigned by the cognizant Federal agency to administer the CAS.

"Desirable change" means a compliant change to a Contractor's established or disclosed cost accounting practices that the CFAO finds is desirable and not detrimental to the Government and is, therefore, not subject to the no increased cost prohibition provisions of CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts affected by the change.

"Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts" means—

- (1) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts described at FAR 16.202, 16.203, (except when price adjustments are based on actual costs of labor or material, described at 16.203-1(a)(2)), and 16.207;
- (2) Fixed-price incentive contracts and subcontracts where the price is not adjusted based on actual costs incurred (FAR Subpart 16.4);
- (3) Orders issued under indefinite-delivery contracts and subcontracts where final payment is not based on actual costs incurred (FAR Subpart 16.5); and
- (4) The fixed-hourly rate portion of time-and-materials and labor-hours contracts and subcontracts (FAR Subpart 16.6).

"Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts means"—

- (1) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts described 16.203-1(a)(2) at FAR 16.204, 16.205, and 16.206;
- (2) Cost-reimbursement contracts and subcontracts (FAR Subpart 16.3);
- (3) Incentive contracts and subcontracts where the price may be adjusted based on actual costs incurred (FAR Subpart 16.4);
- (4) Orders issued under indefinite-delivery contracts and subcontracts where final payment is based on actual costs incurred (FAR Subpart 16.5); and
 - (5) The materials portion of time-and-materials contracts and subcontracts (FAR Subpart 16.6).
 - "Noncompliance" means a failure in estimating, accumulating, or reporting costs to-
 - (1) Comply with applicable CAS; or

- (2) Consistently follow disclosed or established cost accounting practices. "Required change" means—
- (1) A change in cost accounting practice that a Contractor is required to make in order to comply with a CAS, or a modification or interpretation thereof, that subsequently becomes applicable to existing CAS-covered contracts or subcontracts due to the receipt of another CAS-covered contract or subcontract; or
- (2) A prospective change to a disclosed or established cost accounting practice when the CFAO determines that the former practice was in compliance with applicable CAS and the change is necessary for the Contractor to remain in compliance.

"Unilateral change" means a change in cost accounting practice from one compliant practice to another compliant practice that a Contractor with a CAS-covered contract(s) or subcontract(s) elects to make that has not been deemed a desirable change by the CFAO and for which the Government will pay no aggregate increased costs.

- (b) Submit to the CFAO a description of any cost accounting practice change as outlined in paragraphs (b)(1) through (3) of this clause (including revisions to the Disclosure Statement, if applicable), and any written statement that the cost impact of the change is immaterial. If a change in cost accounting practice is implemented without submitting the notice required by this paragraph, the CFAO may determine the change to be a failure to follow paragraph (a)(2) of the clause at FAR 52.230-2, Cost Accounting Standards; paragraph (a)(4) of the clause at FAR 52.230-3, Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices; or paragraph (a)(2) of the clause at FAR 52.230-5, Cost Accounting Standards—Educational Institution.
- (1) When a description has been submitted for a change in cost accounting practice that is dependent on a contact award and that contract is subsequently awarded, notify the CFAO within 15 days after such award.
- (2) For any change in cost accounting practice not covered by (b)(1) of this clause that is required in accordance with paragraphs (a)(3) and (a)(4)(i) of the clause at FAR 52.230-2; or paragraphs (a)(3), (a)(4)(i), or (a)(4)(iv) of the clause at FAR 52.230-5; submit a description of the change to the CFAO not less than 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to by the CFAO and the Contractor) before implementation of the change.
- (3) For any change in cost accounting practices proposed in accordance with paragraph (a)(4)(ii) or (iii) of the clauses at FAR 52.230-2 and FAR 52.230-5; or with paragraph (a)(3) of the clause at FAR 52.230-3, submit a description of the change not less than 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to by the CFAO and the Contractor) before implementation of the change. If the change includes a proposed retroactive date submit supporting rationale.
- (4) Submit a description of the change necessary to correct a failure to comply with an applicable CAS or to follow a disclosed practice (as contemplated by paragraph (a)(5) of the clause at FAR 52.230-2 and FAR 52.230-5; or by paragraph (a)(4) of the clause at FAR 52.230-3)—
- (i) Within 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to by the CFAO and the Contractor) after the date of agreement with the CFAO that there is a noncompliance: or
- (ii) In the event of Contractor disagreement, within 60 days after the CFAO notifies the Contractor of the determination of noncompliance.
 - (c) When requested by the CFAO, submit on or before a date specified by the CFAO—
- (1) A general dollar magnitude (GDM) proposal in accordance with paragraph (d) or (g) of this clause. The Contractor may submit a detailed cost-impact (DCI) proposal in lieu of the requested GDM proposal provided the DCI proposal is in accordance with paragraph (e) or (h) of this clause;
 - (2) A detailed cost-impact (DCI) proposal in accordance with paragraph (e) or (h) of this clause;
- (3) For any request for a desirable change that is based on the criteria in FAR 30.603-2(b)(3)(ii), the data necessary to demonstrate the required cost savings; and
- (4) For any request for a desirable change that is based on criteria other than that in FAR 30.603-2(b)(3)(ii), a GDM proposal and any other data necessary for the CFAO to determine if the change is a desirable change.
- (d) For any change in cost accounting practice subject to paragraph (b)(1), (b)(2), or (b)(3) of this clause, the GDM proposal shall—
 - (1) Calculate the cost impact in accordance with paragraph (f) of this clause;
 - (2) Use one or more of the following methods to determine the increase or decrease in cost accumulations:
 - (i) A representative sample of affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts.
- (ii) The change in indirect rates multiplied by the total estimated base computed for each of the following groups:
 - (A) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts.
 - (B) Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts.

- (iii) Any other method that provides a reasonable approximation of the total increase or decrease in cost accumulations for all affected fixed-price and flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts;
 - (3) Use a format acceptable to the CFAO but, as a minimum, include the following data:
- (i) The estimated increase or decrease in cost accumulations by Executive agency, including any impact the change may have on contract and subcontract incentives, fees, and profits, for each of the following groups:
 - (A) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts.
 - (B) Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts.
- (ii) For unilateral changes, the increased or decreased costs to the Government for each of the following groups:
 - (A) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts.
 - (B) Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts; and
 - (4) When requested by the CFAO, identify all affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts.
- (e) For any change in cost accounting practice subject to paragraph (b)(1), (b)(2), or (b)(3) of this clause, the DCI proposal shall—
 - (1) Show the calculation of the cost impact in accordance with paragraph (f) of this clause;
- (2) Show the estimated increase or decrease in cost accumulations for each affected CAS-covered contract and subcontract unless the CFAO and Contractor agree to include—
- (i) Only those affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts having an estimate to complete exceeding a specified amount; and
- (ii) An estimate of the total increase or decrease in cost accumulations for all affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts, using the results in paragraph (e)(2)(i) of this clause;
- (3) Use a format acceptable to the CFAO but, as a minimum, include the information in paragraph (d)(3) of this clause; and
 - (4) When requested by the CFAO, identify all affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts.
- (f) For GDM and DCI proposals that are subject to the requirements of paragraph (d) or (e) of this clause, calculate the cost impact as follows:
- (1) The cost impact calculation shall include all affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts regardless of their status (*i.e.*, open or closed) or the fiscal year in which the costs were incurred (*i.e.*, whether or not the final indirect rates have been established).
 - (2) For unilateral changes—
- (i) Determine the increased or decreased cost to the Government for flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts as follows:
- (A) When the estimated cost to complete using the changed practice exceeds the estimated cost to complete using the current practice, the difference is increased cost to the Government.
- (B) When the estimated cost to complete using the changed practice is less than the estimated cost to complete using the current practice, the difference is decreased cost to the Government;
- (ii) Determine the increased or decreased cost to the Government for fixed-priced contracts and subcontracts as follows:
- (A) When the estimated cost to complete using the changed practice is less than the estimated cost to complete using the current practice, the difference is increased cost to the Government.
- (B) When the estimated cost to complete using the changed practice exceeds the estimated cost to complete using the current practice, the difference is decreased cost to the Government;
- (iii) Calculate the total increase or decrease in contract and subcontract incentives, fees, and profits associated with the increased or decreased costs to the Government in accordance with 48 CFR 9903.306(c). The associated increase or decrease is based on the difference between the negotiated incentives, fees, and profits and the amounts that would have been negotiated had the cost impact been known at the time the contracts and subcontracts were negotiated; and
 - (iv) Calculate the increased cost to the Government in the aggregate.
 - (3) For equitable adjustments for required or desirable changes—
- (i) Estimated increased cost accumulations are the basis for increasing contract prices, target prices and cost ceilings; and
- (ii) Estimated decreased cost accumulations are the basis for decreasing contract prices, target prices and cost ceilings.
- (g) For any noncompliant cost accounting practice subject to paragraph (b)(4) of this clause, prepare the GDM proposal as follows:

- (1) Calculate the cost impact in accordance with paragraph (i) of this clause.
- (2) Use one or more of the following methods to determine the increase or decrease in contract and subcontract prices or cost accumulations, as applicable:
 - (i) A representative sample of affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts.
- (ii) When the noncompliance involves cost accumulation the change in indirect rates multiplied by the applicable base for only flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts.
 - (iii) Any other method that provides a reasonable approximation of the total increase or decrease.
 - (3) Use a format acceptable to the CFAO but, as a minimum, include the following data:
- (i) The total increase or decrease in contract and subcontract price and cost accumulations, as applicable, by Executive agency, including any impact the noncompliance may have on contract and subcontract incentives, fees, and profits, for each of the following groups:
 - (A) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts.
 - (B) Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts.
 - (ii) The increased or decreased cost to the Government for each of the following groups:
 - (A) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts.
 - (B) Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts.
- (iii) The total overpayments and underpayments made by the Government during the period of noncompliance.
 - (4) When requested by the CFAO, identify all CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts.
 - (h) For any noncompliant practice subject to paragraph (b)(4) of this clause, prepare the DCI proposal as follows:
 - (1) Calculate the cost impact in accordance with paragraph (i) of this clause.
- (2) Show the increase or decrease in price and cost accumulations for each affected CAS-covered contract and subcontract unless the CFAO and Contractor agree to—
 - (i) Include only those affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts having—
- (A) Contract and subcontract values exceeding a specified amount when the noncompliance involves estimating costs; and
- (B) Incurred costs exceeding a specified amount when the noncompliance involves accumulating costs; and
- (ii) Estimate the total increase or decrease in price and cost accumulations for all affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts using the results in paragraph (h)(2)(i) of this clause.
- (3) Use a format acceptable to the CFAO that, as a minimum, include the information in paragraph (g)(3) of this clause.
 - (4) When requested by the CFAO, identify all CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts.
- (i) For GDM and DCI proposals that are subject to the requirements of paragraph (g) or (h) of this clause, calculate the cost impact as follows:
- (1) The cost impact calculation shall include all affected CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts regardless of their status (*i.e.*, open or closed) or the fiscal year in which the costs are incurred (*i.e.*, whether or not the final indirect rates have been established).
- (2) For noncompliances that involve estimating costs, determine the increased or decreased cost to the Government for fixed-price contracts and subcontracts as follows:
- (i) When the negotiated contract or subcontract price exceeds what the negotiated price would have been had the Contractor used a compliant practice, the difference is increased cost to the Government.
- (ii) When the negotiated contract or subcontract price is less than what the negotiated price would have been had the Contractor used a compliant practice, the difference is decreased cost to the Government.
- (3) For noncompliances that involve accumulating costs, determine the increased or decreased cost to the Government for flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts as follows:
- (i) When the costs that were accumulated under the noncompliant practice exceed the costs that would have been accumulated using a compliant practice (from the time the noncompliant practice was first implemented until the date the noncompliant practice was replaced with a compliant practice), the difference is increased cost to the Government.
- (ii) When the costs that were accumulated under the noncompliant practice are less than the costs that would have been accumulated using a compliant practice (from the time the noncompliant practice was first implemented until the date the noncompliant practice was replaced with a compliant practice), the difference is decreased cost to the Government.

- (4) Calculate the total increase or decrease in contract and subcontracts incentives, fees, and profits associated with the increased or decreased cost to the Government in accordance with 48 CFR 9903.306(c). The associated increase or decrease is based on the difference between the negotiated incentives, fees, and profits and the amounts that would have been negotiated had the Contractor used a compliant practice.
 - (5) Calculate the increased cost to the Government in the aggregate.
- (j) If the Contractor does not submit the information required by paragraph (b) or (c) of this clause within the specified time, or any extension granted by the CFAO, the CFAO may take one or both of the following actions:
- (1) Withhold an amount not to exceed 10 percent of each subsequent amount payment to the Contractor's affected CAS-covered contracts, (up to the estimated general dollar magnitude of the cost impact), until such time as the Contractor provides the required information to the CFAO.
- (2) Issue a final decision in accordance with FAR 33.211 and unilaterally adjust the contract(s) by the estimated amount of the cost impact.
 - (k) Agree to-
- (1) Contract modifications to reflect adjustments required in accordance with paragraph (a)(4)(ii) or (a)(5) of the clauses at FAR 52.230-2 and 52.230-5; or with paragraph (a)(3)(i) or (a)(4) of the clause at FAR 52.230-3; and
 - (2) Repay the Government for any aggregate increased cost paid to the Contractor.
 - (I) For all subcontracts subject to the clauses at FAR 52.230-2, 52.230-3, or 52.230-5—
 - (1) So state in the body of the subcontract, in the letter of award, or in both (do not use self-deleting clauses);
 - (2) Include the substance of this clause in all negotiated subcontracts; and
 - (3) Within 30 days after award of the subcontract, submit the following information to the Contractor's CFAO:
 - (i) Subcontractor's name and subcontract number.
 - (ii) Dollar amount and date of award.
 - (iii) Name of Contractor making the award.
- (m) Notify the CFAO in writing of any adjustments required to subcontracts under this contract and agree to an adjustment to this contract price or estimated cost and fee. The Contractor shall—
- (1) Provide this notice within 30 days after the Contractor receives the proposed subcontract adjustments; and
 - (2) Include a proposal for adjusting the higher-tier subcontract or the contract appropriately.
- (n) For subcontracts containing the clause or substance of the clause at FAR 52.230-2, FAR 52.230-3, or FAR 52.230-5, require the subcontractor to comply with all Standards in effect on the date of award or of final agreement on price, as shown on the subcontractor's signed Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, whichever is earlier. (End of clause)

114. FAR 52.232-5 PAYMENTS UNDER FIXED-PRICE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (SEPT 2002)

- (a) Payment of price. The Government shall pay the Contractor the contract price as provided in this contract.
- (b) *Progress payments*. The Government shall make progress payments monthly as the work proceeds, or at more frequent intervals as determined by the Contracting Officer, on estimates of work accomplished which meets the standards of quality established under the contract, as approved by the Contracting Officer.
 - (1) The Contractor's request for progress payments shall include the following substantiation:
- (i) An itemization of the amounts requested, related to the various elements of work required by the contract covered by the payment requested.
 - (ii) A listing of the amount included for work performed by each subcontractor under the contract.
 - (iii) A listing of the total amount of each subcontract under the contract.
 - (iv) A listing of the amounts previously paid to each such subcontractor under the contract.
 - (v) Additional supporting data in a form and detail required by the Contracting Officer.
- (2) In the preparation of estimates, the Contracting Officer may authorize material delivered on the site and preparatory work done to be taken into consideration. Material delivered to the Contractor at locations other than the site also may be taken into consideration if—
 - (i) Consideration is specifically authorized by this contract; and
- (ii) The Contractor furnishes satisfactory evidence that it has acquired title to such material and that the material will be used to perform this contract.
- (c) Contractor certification. Along with each request for progress payments, the Contractor shall furnish the following certification, or payment shall not be made: (However, if the Contractor elects to delete paragraph (c)(4) from the certification, the certification is still acceptable.) I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that—

- (1) The amounts requested are only for performance in accordance with the specifications, terms, and conditions of the contract;
- (2) All payments due to subcontractors and suppliers from previous payments received under the contract have been made, and timely payments will be made from the proceeds of the payment covered by this certification, in accordance with subcontract agreements and the requirements of chapter 39 of Title 31, United States Code:
- (3) This request for progress payments does not include any amounts which the prime contractor intends to withhold or retain from a subcontractor or supplier in accordance with the terms and conditions of the subcontract; and

(4) This certification is not to be construed as final acceptance of a subcontractor's performance.

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- (d) Refund of unearned amounts. If the Contractor, after making a certified request for progress payments, discovers that a portion or all of such request constitutes a payment for performance by the Contractor that fails to conform to the specifications, terms, and conditions of this contract (hereinafter referred to as the "unearned amount"), the Contractor shall—
 - (1) Notify the Contracting Officer of such performance deficiency; and
- (2) Be obligated to pay the Government an amount (computed by the Contracting Officer in the manner provided in paragraph (j) of this clause) equal to interest on the unearned amount from the 8th day after the date of receipt of the unearned amount until—
- (i) The date the Contractor notifies the Contracting Officer that the performance deficiency has been corrected; or
- (ii) The date the Contractor reduces the amount of any subsequent certified request for progress payments by an amount equal to the unearned amount.
- (e) Retainage. If the Contracting Officer finds that satisfactory progress was achieved during any period for which a progress payment is to be made, the Contracting Officer shall authorize payment to be made in full. However, if satisfactory progress has not been made, the Contracting Officer may retain a maximum of 10 percent of the amount of the payment until satisfactory progress is achieved. When the work is substantially complete, the Contracting Officer may retain from previously withheld funds and future progress payments that amount the Contracting Officer considers adequate for protection of the Government and shall release to the Contractor all the remaining withheld funds. Also, on completion and acceptance of each separate building, public work, or other division of the contract, for which the price is stated separately in the contract, payment shall be made for the completed work without retention of a percentage.
- (f) Title, liability, and reservation of rights. All material and work covered by progress payments made shall, at the time of payment, become the sole property of the Government, but this shall not be construed as—
- (1) Relieving the Contractor from the sole responsibility for all material and work upon which payments have been made or the restoration of any damaged work; or
 - (2) Waiving the right of the Government to require the fulfillment of all of the terms of the contract.
- (g) Reimbursement for bond premiums. In making these progress payments, the Government shall, upon request, reimburse the Contractor for the amount of premiums paid for performance and payment bonds (including coinsurance and reinsurance agreements, when applicable) after the Contractor has furnished evidence of full payment to the surety. The retainage provisions in paragraph (e) of this clause shall not apply to that portion of progress payments attributable to bond premiums.
 - (h) Final payment. The Government shall pay the amount due the Contractor under this contract after—
 - (1) Completion and acceptance of all work;
 - (2) Presentation of a properly executed voucher; and
- (3) Presentation of release of all claims against the Government arising by virtue of this contract, other than claims, in stated amounts, that the Contractor has specifically excepted from the operation of the release. A release may also be required of the assignee if the Contractor's claim to amounts payable under this contract has been assigned under the Assignment of Claims Act of 1940 (31 U.S.C. 3727 and 41 U.S.C. 15).
- (i) Limitation Because of Undefinitized Work. Notwithstanding any provision of this contract, progress payments shall not exceed 80 percent on work accomplished on undefinitized contract actions. A "contract action" is any action resulting in a contract, as defined in FAR Subpart 2.1, including contract modifications for additional

supplies or services, but not including contract modifications that are within the scope and under the terms of the contract, such as contract modifications issued pursuant to the Changes clause, or funding and other administrative changes.

- (j) Interest Computation on Unearned Amounts. In accordance with 31. U.S.C. 3903 (c)(1), the amount payable under subparagraph (d)(2) of this clause shall be ---
- (1) Computed at the rate of average bond equivalent rates of 91-day Treasury bills auctioned at the most recent auction of such bills prior to the date the Contractor receives the unearned amount and;
 - (2) Deducted from the next available payment to the Contractor. (End of Clause)

115. FAR 52.232-17 INTEREST (JUN 1996)

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this contract under a Price Reduction for Defective Cost or Pricing Data clause or a Cost Accounting Standards clause, all amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract (net of any applicable tax credit under the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 1481)) shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in Section 12 of the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-563), which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in paragraph (b) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.
 - (b) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:
 - (1) The date fixed under this contract.
- (2) The date of the first written demand for payment consistent with this contract, including any demand resulting from a default termination.
- (3) The date the Government transmits to the Contractor a proposed supplemental agreement to confirm completed negotiations establishing the amount of debt.
- (4) If this contract provides for revision of prices, the date of written notice to the Contractor stating the amount of refund payable in connection with a pricing proposal or a negotiated pricing agreement not confirmed by contract modification.
- (c) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in 32.614-2 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation in effect on the date of this contract. (End of Clause)

116. FAR 52.232-23 ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS (JAN 1986)

- (a) The Contractor, under the Assignment of Claims Act, as amended, 31 U.S.C. 3727, 41 U.S.C. 15 (hereafter referred to as "the Act"), may assign its rights to be paid amounts due or to become due as a result of the performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency. The assignee under such an assignment may thereafter further assign its right under the original assignment to any type of financing institution described in the preceding sentence.
- (b) Any assignment or reassignment authorized under the Act and this clause shall cover all unpaid amounts payable under this contract, and shall not be made to more than one party, except that an assignment or reassignment may be made to one party as agent or trustee for two or more participating in the financing of this contract.
- (c) The Contractor shall not furnish or disclose to any assignee under this contract any classified document (including this contract) or information related to work under this contract until the Contracting Officer authorizes such action in writing. (End of Clause)

117. FAR 52.232-27 PROMPT PAYMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (SEPT 2005)

Notwithstanding any other payment terms in this contract, the Government will make invoice payments under the terms and conditions specified in this clause. The Government considers payment as being made on the day a check is dated or the date of an electronic funds transfer. Definitions of pertinent terms are set forth in sections 2.101, 32.001, and 32.902 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation. All days referred to in this clause are calendar days, unless otherwise specified. (However, see paragraph (a)(3) concerning payments due on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.)

- (a) Invoice payments-
- (1) Types of invoice payments. For purposes of this clause, there are several types of invoice payments that may occur under this contract, as follows:

- (i) Progress payments, if provided for elsewhere in this contract, based on Contracting Officer approval of the estimated amount and value of work or services performed, including payments for reaching milestones in any project.
- (A) The due date for making such payments is <u>18</u> days after the designated billing office receives a proper payment request. If the designated billing office fails to annotate the payment request with the actual date of receipt at the time of receipt, the payment due date is the <u>18</u> day after the date of the Contractor's payment request, provided the designated billing office receives a proper payment request and there is no disagreement over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with contract requirements.

(B) The due date for payment of any amounts retained by the Contracting Officer in accordance with the clause at 52.232-5, Payments Under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts, is as specified in the contract or, if not specified, 30 days after approval by the Contracting Officer for release to the Contractor.

- (ii) Final payments based on completion and acceptance of all work and presentation of release of all claims against the Government arising by virtue of the contract, and payments for partial deliveries that have been accepted by the Government (e.g., each separate building, public work, or other division of the contract for which the price is stated separately in the contract).
 - (A) The due date for making such payments is the later of the following two events:

(1) The 30th day after the designated billing office receives a proper invoice from the Contractor.

- (2) The 30th day after Government acceptance of the work or services completed by the Contractor. For a final invoice when the payment amount is subject to contract settlement actions (e.g., release of claims), acceptance is deemed to occur on the effective date of the contract settlement.
- (B) If the designated billing office fails to annotate the invoice with the date of actual receipt at the time of receipt, the invoice payment due date is the 30th day after the date of the Contractor's invoice, provided the designated billing office receives a proper invoice and there is no disagreement over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with contract requirements.
- (2) Contractor's invoice. The Contractor shall prepare and submit invoices to the designated billing office specified in the contract. A proper invoice must include the items listed in paragraphs (a)(2)(i) through (a)(2)(xi) of this clause. If the invoice does not comply with these requirements, the designated billing office must return it within 7 days after receipt, with the reasons why it is not a proper invoice. When computing any interest penalty owed the Contractor, the Government will take into account if the Government notifies the Contractor of an improper invoice in an untimely manner.
 - (i) Name and address of the Contractor.
- (ii) Invoice date and invoice number. (The Contractor should date invoices as close as possible to the date of mailing or transmission.)
- (iii) Contract number or other authorization for work or services performed (including order number and contract line item number).
 - (iv) Description of work or services performed.
 - (v) Delivery and payment terms (e.g., discount for prompt payment terms).
- (vi) Name and address of Contractor official to whom payment is to be sent (must be the same as that in the contract or in a proper notice of assignment).
- (vii) Name (where practicable), title, phone number, and mailing address of person to notify in the event of a defective invoice.
- (viii) For payments described in paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this clause, substantiation of the amounts requested and certification in accordance with the requirements of the clause at 52.232-5, Payments Under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts.
- (ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
 - (x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.
- (A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
- (B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision (e.g., 52.232-38, Submission of Electronic Funds Transfer Information with Offer), contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Central Contractor Registration, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other Than Central Contractor Registration), or applicable agency procedures.
 - (C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.

- (xi) Any other information or documentation required by the contract.
- (3) Interest penalty. The designated payment office will pay an interest penalty automatically, without request from the Contractor, if payment is not made by the due date and the conditions listed in paragraphs (a)(3)(i) through (a)(3)(iii) of this clause are met, if applicable. However, when the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the designated payment office may make payment on the following working day without incurring a late payment interest penalty.
 - (i) The designated billing office received a proper invoice.
- (ii) The Government processed a receiving report or other Government documentation authorizing payment and there was no disagreement over quantity, quality, Contractor compliance with any contract term or condition, or requested progress payment amount.
- (iii) In the case of a final invoice for any balance of funds due the Contractor for work or services performed, the amount was not subject to further contract settlement actions between the Government and the Contractor.
- (4) Computing penalty amount. The Government will compute the interest penalty in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315.
- (i) For the sole purpose of computing an interest penalty that might be due the Contractor for payments described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this clause, Government acceptance or approval is deemed to occur constructively on the 7th day after the Contractor has completed the work or services in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract. If actual acceptance or approval occurs within the constructive acceptance or approval period, the Government will base the determination of an interest penalty on the actual date of acceptance or approval. Constructive acceptance or constructive approval requirements do not apply if there is a disagreement over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with a contract provision. These requirements also do not compel Government officials to accept work or services, approve Contractor estimates, perform contract administration functions, or make payment prior to fulfilling their responsibilities.
- (ii) The prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR 1315.10(c) do not require the Government to pay interest penalties if payment delays are due to disagreement between the Government and the Contractor over the payment amount or other issues involving contract compliance, or on amounts temporarily withheld or retained in accordance with the terms of the contract. The Government and the Contractor shall resolve claims involving disputes, and any interest that may be payable in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, Disputes.
- (5) Discounts for prompt payment. The designated payment office will pay an interest penalty automatically, without request from the Contractor, if the Government takes a discount for prompt payment improperly. The Government will calculate the interest penalty in accordance with the prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315.
 - (6) Additional interest penalty.
- (i) The designated payment office will pay a penalty amount, calculated in accordance with the prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315 in addition to the interest penalty amount only if—
 - (A) The Government owes an interest penalty of \$1 or more;
- (B) The designated payment office does not pay the interest penalty within 10 days after the date the invoice amount is paid; and
- (C) The Contractor makes a written demand to the designated payment office for additional penalty payment, in accordance with paragraph (a)(6)(ii) of this clause, postmarked not later than 40 days after the date the invoice amount is paid.
- (ii)(A) The Contractor shall support written demands for additional penalty payments with the following data. The Government will not request any additional data. The Contractor shall—
- (1) Specifically assert that late payment interest is due under a specific invoice, and request payment of all overdue late payment interest penalty and such additional penalty as may be required;
 - (2) Attach a copy of the invoice on which the unpaid late payment interest was due; and
 - (3) State that payment of the principal has been received, including the date of receipt.
 - (B) If there is no postmark or the postmark is illegible—
- (1) The designated payment office that receives the demand will annotate it with the date of receipt provided the demand is received on or before the 40th day after payment was made; or
- (2) If the designated payment office fails to make the required annotation, the Government will determine the demand's validity based on the date the Contractor has placed on the demand, provided such date is no later than the 40th day after payment was made.
- (b) Contract financing payments. If this contract provides for contract financing, the Government will make contract financing payments in accordance with the applicable contract financing clause.

- (c) Subcontract clause requirements. The Contractor shall include in each subcontract for property or services (including a material supplier) for the purpose of performing this contract the following:
- (1) Prompt payment for subcontractors. A payment clause that obligates the Contractor to pay the subcontractor for satisfactory performance under its subcontract not later than 7 days from receipt of payment out of such amounts as are paid to the Contractor under this contract.
- (2) Interest for subcontractors. An interest penalty clause that obligates the Contractor to pay to the subcontractor an interest penalty for each payment not made in accordance with the payment clause—
- (i) For the period beginning on the day after the required payment date and ending on the date on which payment of the amount due is made; and
- (ii) Computed at the rate of interest established by the Secretary of the Treasury, and published in the *Federal Register*, for interest payments under section 12 of the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 611) in effect at the time the Contractor accrues the obligation to pay an interest penalty.
 - (3) Subcontractor clause flowdown. A clause requiring each subcontractor to—
- (i) Include a payment clause and an interest penalty clause conforming to the standards set forth in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this clause in each of its subcontracts; and
- (ii) Require each of its subcontractors to include such clauses in their subcontracts with each lower-tier subcontractor or supplier.
- (d) Subcontract clause interpretation. The clauses required by paragraph (c) of this clause shall not be construed to impair the right of the Contractor or a subcontractor at any tier to negotiate, and to include in their subcontract, provisions that—
- (1) Retainage permitted. Permit the Contractor or a subcontractor to retain (without cause) a specified percentage of each progress payment otherwise due to a subcontractor for satisfactory performance under the subcontract without incurring any obligation to pay a late payment interest penalty, in accordance with terms and conditions agreed to by the parties to the subcontract, giving such recognition as the parties deem appropriate to the ability of a subcontractor to furnish a performance bond and a payment bond;
- (2) Withholding permitted. Permit the Contractor or subcontractor to make a determination that part or all of the subcontractor's request for payment may be withheld in accordance with the subcontract agreement; and
- (3) Withholding requirements. Permit such withholding without incurring any obligation to pay a late payment penalty if—
- (i) A notice conforming to the standards of paragraph (g) of this clause previously has been furnished to the subcontractor; and
- (ii) The Contractor furnishes to the Contracting Officer a copy of any notice issued by a Contractor pursuant to paragraph (d)(3)(i) of this clause.
- (e) Subcontractor withholding procedures. If a Contractor, after making a request for payment to the Government but before making a payment to a subcontractor for the subcontractor's performance covered by the payment request, discovers that all or a portion of the payment otherwise due such subcontractor is subject to withholding from the subcontractor in accordance with the subcontract agreement, then the Contractor shall—
- (1) Subcontractor notice. Furnish to the subcontractor a notice conforming to the standards of paragraph (g) of this clause as soon as practicable upon ascertaining the cause giving rise to a withholding, but prior to the due date for subcontractor payment;
- (2) Contracting Officer notice. Furnish to the Contracting Officer, as soon as practicable, a copy of the notice furnished to the subcontractor pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this clause;
- (3) Subcontractor progress payment reduction. Reduce the subcontractor's progress payment by an amount not to exceed the amount specified in the notice of withholding furnished under paragraph (e)(1) of this clause;
- (4) Subsequent subcontractor payment. Pay the subcontractor as soon as practicable after the correction of the identified subcontract performance deficiency, and—
 - (i) Make such payment within-
- (A) Seven days after correction of the identified subcontract performance deficiency (unless the funds therefor must be recovered from the Government because of a reduction under paragraph (e)(5)(i)) of this clause; or
 - (B) Seven days after the Contractor recovers such funds from the Government; or
- (ii) Incur an obligation to pay a late payment interest penalty computed at the rate of interest established by the Secretary of the Treasury, and published in the *Federal Register*, for interest payments under section 12 of the Contracts Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 611) in effect at the time the Contractor accrues the obligation to pay an interest penalty;

- (5) Notice to Contracting Officer. Notify the Contracting Officer upon-
 - (i) Reduction of the amount of any subsequent certified application for payment; or
 - (ii) Payment to the subcontractor of any withheld amounts of a progress payment, specifying—
 - (A) The amounts withheld under paragraph (e)(1) of this clause; and
 - (B) The dates that such withholding began and ended; and
- (6) Interest to Government. Be obligated to pay to the Government an amount equal to interest on the withheld payments (computed in the manner provided in 31 U.S.C. 3903(c)(1)), from the 8th day after receipt of the withheld amounts from the Government until—
 - (i) The day the identified subcontractor performance deficiency is corrected; or
 - (ii) The date that any subsequent payment is reduced under paragraph (e)(5)(i) of this clause.
 - (f) Third-party deficiency reports-
- (1) Withholding from subcontractor. If a Contractor, after making payment to a first-tier subcontractor, receives from a supplier or subcontractor of the first-tier subcontractor (hereafter referred to as a "second-tier subcontractor") a written notice in accordance with the Miller Act (40 U.S.C. 3133), asserting a deficiency in such first-tier subcontractor's performance under the contract for which the Contractor may be ultimately liable, and the Contractor determines that all or a portion of future payments otherwise due such first-tier subcontractor is subject to withholding in accordance with the subcontract agreement, the Contractor may, without incurring an obligation to pay an interest penalty under paragraph (e)(6) of this clause—
- (i) Furnish to the first-tier subcontractor a notice conforming to the standards of paragraph (g) of this clause as soon as practicable upon making such determination; and
- (ii) Withhold from the first-tier subcontractor's next available progress payment or payments an amount not to exceed the amount specified in the notice of withholding furnished under paragraph (f)(1)(i) of this clause.
- (2) Subsequent payment or interest charge. As soon as practicable, but not later than 7 days after receipt of satisfactory written notification that the identified subcontract performance deficiency has been corrected, the Contractor shall—
 - (i) Pay the amount withheld under paragraph (f)(1)(ii) of this clause to such first-tier subcontractor; or
- (ii) Incur an obligation to pay a late payment interest penalty to such first-tier subcontractor computed at the rate of interest established by the Secretary of the Treasury, and published in the *Federal Register*, for interest payments under section 12 of the Contracts Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 611) in effect at the time the Contractor accrues the obligation to pay an interest penalty.
- (g) Written notice of subcontractor withholding. The Contractor shall issue a written notice of any withholding to a subcontractor (with a copy furnished to the Contracting Officer), specifying—
 - (1) The amount to be withheld;
 - (2) The specific causes for the withholding under the terms of the subcontract; and
 - (3) The remedial actions to be taken by the subcontractor in order to receive payment of the amounts withheld.
- (h) Subcontractor payment entitlement. The Contractor may not request payment from the Government of any amount withheld or retained in accordance with paragraph (d) of this clause until such time as the Contractor has determined and certified to the Contracting Officer that the subcontractor is entitled to the payment of such amount.
- (i) *Prime-subcontractor disputes*. A dispute between the Contractor and subcontractor relating to the amount or entitlement of a subcontractor to a payment or a late payment interest penalty under a clause included in the subcontract pursuant to paragraph (c) of this clause does not constitute a dispute to which the Government is a party. The Government may not be interpleaded in any judicial or administrative proceeding involving such a dispute.
- (j) Preservation of prime-subcontractor rights. Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this clause, this clause shall not limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to the Contractor or a subcontractor in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the Contractor or deficient subcontract performance or nonperformance by a subcontractor.
- (k) Non-recourse for prime contractor interest penalty. The Contractor's obligation to pay an interest penalty to a subcontractor pursuant to the clauses included in a subcontract under paragraph (c) of this clause shall not be construed to be an obligation of the Government for such interest penalty. A cost-reimbursement claim may not include any amount for reimbursement of such interest penalty.
- (I) Overpayments. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer and request instructions for disposition of the overpayment. (End of clause)

118. 52.232-33 Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer— Central Contractor Registration. (OCT 2003)

- (a) Method of payment. (1) All payments by the Government under this contract shall be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT), except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this clause. As used in this clause, the term "EFT" refers to the funds transfer and may also include the payment information transfer.
- (2) In the event the Government is unable to release one or more payments by EFT, the Contractor agrees to either—
 - (i) Accept payment by check or some other mutually agreeable method of payment; or
- (ii) Request the Government to extend the payment due date until such time as the Government can make payment by EFT (but see paragraph (d) of this clause).
- (b) Contractor's EFT information. The Government shall make payment to the Contractor using the EFT information contained in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. In the event that the EFT information changes, the Contractor shall be responsible for providing the updated information to the CCR database.
- (c) Mechanisms for EFT payment. The Government may make payment by EFT through either the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network, subject to the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association, or the Fedwire Transfer System. The rules governing Federal payments through the ACH are contained in 31 CFR part 210.
- (d) Suspension of payment. If the Contractor's EFT information in the CCR database is incorrect, then the Government need not make payment to the Contractor under this contract until correct EFT information is entered into the CCR database; and any invoice or contract financing request shall be deemed not to be a proper invoice for the purpose of prompt payment under this contract. The prompt payment terms of the contract regarding notice of an improper invoice and delays in accrual of interest penalties apply.
 - (e) Liability for uncompleted or erroneous transfers.
- (1) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Government used the Contractor's EFT information incorrectly, the Government remains responsible for—
 - (i) Making a correct payment;
 - (ii) Paying any prompt payment penalty due; and
 - (iii) Recovering any erroneously directed funds.
- (2) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Contractor's EFT information was incorrect, or was revised within 30 days of Government release of the EFT payment transaction instruction to the Federal Reserve System, and—
- (i) If the funds are no longer under the control of the payment office, the Government is deemed to have made payment and the Contractor is responsible for recovery of any erroneously directed funds; or
 - (ii) If the funds remain under the control of the payment
- office, the Government shall not make payment, and the provisions of paragraph (d) of this clause shall apply.
- (f) EFT and prompt payment. A payment shall be deemed to have been made in a timely manner in accordance with the prompt payment terms of this contract if, in the EFT payment transaction instruction released to the Federal Reserve System, the date specified for settlement of the payment is on or before the prompt payment due date, provided the specified payment date is a valid date under the rules of the Federal Reserve System.
- (g) EFT and assignment of claims. If the Contractor assigns the proceeds of this contract as provided for in the assignment of claims terms of this contract, the Contractor shall require as a condition of any such assignment, that the assignee shall register separately in the CCR database and shall be paid by EFT in accordance with the terms of this clause. Notwithstanding any other requirement of this contract, payment to an ultimate recipient other than the Contractor, or a financial institution properly recognized under an assignment of claims pursuant to Subpart 32.8, is not permitted. In all respects, the requirements of this clause shall apply to the assignee as if it were the Contractor. EFT information that shows the ultimate recipient of the transfer to be other than the Contractor, in the absence of a proper assignment of claims acceptable to the Government, is incorrect EFT information within the meaning of paragraph (d) of this clause.
- (h) Liability for change of EFT information by financial agent. The Government is not liable for errors resulting from changes to EFT information made by the Contractor's financial agent.
- (i) Payment information. The payment or disbursing office shall forward to the Contractor available payment information that is suitable for transmission as of the date of release of the EFT instruction to the Federal Reserve System. The Government may request the Contractor to designate a desired format and method(s) for delivery of payment information from a list of formats and methods the payment office is capable of executing. However, the Government does not guarantee that any particular format or method of delivery is available at any particular payment

office and retains the latitude to use the format and delivery method most convenient to the Government. If the Government makes payment by check in accordance with paragraph (a) of this clause, the Government shall mail the payment information to the remittance address contained in the CCR database.

119. GSAR 552.232-78 PAYMENT INFORMATION (JULY 2000)

The General Services Administration (GSA) makes information on contract payments available electronically at http://www.finance.gsa.gov. The Contractor may register at the site and review its record of payments. This site provides information only on payments made by GSA, not by other agencies. (End of clause)

STOP WORK/TERMINATION

120. FAR 52.242-14 SUSPENSION OF WORK (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may order the Contractor, in writing, to suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of the work of this contract for the period of time that the Contracting Officer determines appropriate for the convenience of the Government.
- (b) If the performance of all or any part of the work is, for an unreasonable period of time, suspended, delayed, or interrupted (1) by an act of the Contracting Officer in the administration of this contract, or (2) by the Contracting Officer's failure to act within the time specified in this contract (or within a reasonable time if not specified), an adjustment shall be made for any increase in the cost of performance of this contract (excluding profit) necessarily caused by the unreasonable suspension, delay, or interruption, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. However, no adjustment shall be made under this clause for any suspension, delay, or interruption to the extent that performance would have been so suspended, delayed, or interrupted by any other cause, including the fault or negligence of the Contractor, or for which an equitable adjustment is provided for or excluded under any other term or condition of this contract.
 - (c) A claim under this clause shall not be allowed
- (1) For any costs incurred more than 20 days before the Contractor shall have notified the Contracting Officer in writing of the act or failure to act involved (but this requirement shall not apply as to a claim resulting from a suspension order), and
- (2) Unless the claim, in an amount stated, is asserted in writing as soon as practicable after the termination of the suspension, delay, or interruption, but not later than the date of final payment under the contract. (End of Clause)

121. GSAR 552.211-84 NON-COMPLIANCE WITH CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS (FEB 1996)

In the event the Contractor, after receiving written notice from the Contracting Officer of non-compliance with any requirement of this contract, fails to initiate promptly such action as may be appropriate to comply with the specified requirement within a reasonable period of time, the Contracting Officer shall have the right to order the Contractor to stop any or all work under the contract until the Contractor has complied or has initiated such action as may be appropriate to comply within a reasonable period of time. The Contractor will not be entitled to any extension of contract time or payment for any costs incurred as a result of being ordered to stop work for such cause. (End of Clause)

122. FAR 52.249-2 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT (FIXED-PRICE) (May 2004)(Alternate I) (SEP 1996)

- (a) The Government may terminate performance of work under this contract in whole or, from time to time, in part if the Contracting Officer determines that a termination is in the Government's interest. The Contracting Officer shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the extent of termination and the effective date.
- (b) After receipt of a Notice of Termination, and except as directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall immediately proceed with the following obligations, regardless of any delay in determining or adjusting any amounts due under this clause:
 - (1) Stop work as specified in the notice.
- (2) Place no further subcontracts or orders (referred to as subcontracts in this clause) for materials, services, or facilities, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the contract.
 - (3) Terminate all subcontracts to the extent they relate to the work terminated.

- (4) Assign to the Government, as directed by the Contracting Officer, all right, title, and interest of the Contractor under the subcontracts terminated, in which case the Government shall have the right to settle or to pay any termination settlement proposal arising out of those terminations.
- (5) With approval or ratification to the extent required by the Contracting Officer, settle all outstanding liabilities and termination settlement proposals arising from the termination of subcontracts; the approval or ratification will be final for purposes of this clause.
 - (6) As directed by the Contracting Officer, transfer title and deliver to the Government—
- (i) The fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in process, completed work, supplies, and other material produced or acquired for the work terminated; and
- (ii) The completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property that, if the contract had been completed, would be required to be furnished to the Government.
 - (7) Complete performance of the work not terminated.
- (8) Take any action that may be necessary, or that the Contracting Officer may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this contract that is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the Government has or may acquire an interest.
- (9) Use its best efforts to sell, as directed or authorized by the Contracting Officer, any property of the types referred to in paragraph (b)(6) of this clause; *provided*, however, that the Contractor (i) is not required to extend credit to any purchaser and (ii) may acquire the property under the conditions prescribed by, and at prices approved by, the Contracting Officer. The proceeds of any transfer or disposition will be applied to reduce any payments to be made by the Government under this contract, credited to the price or cost of the work, or paid in any other manner directed by the Contracting Officer.
- (c) The Contractor shall submit complete termination inventory schedules no later than 120 days from the effective date of termination, unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer upon written request of the Contractor within this 120-day period.
- (d) After expiration of the plant clearance period as defined in Subpart 49.001 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, the Contractor may submit to the Contracting Officer a list, certified as to quantity and quality, of termination inventory not previously disposed of, excluding items authorized for disposition by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may request the Government to remove those items or enter into an agreement for their storage. Within 15 days, the Government will accept title to those items and remove them or enter into a storage agreement. The Contracting Officer may verify the list upon removal of the items, or if stored, within 45 days from submission of the list, and shall correct the list, as necessary, before final settlement.
- (e) After termination, the Contractor shall submit a final termination settlement proposal to the Contracting Officer in the form and with the certification prescribed by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall submit the proposal promptly, but no later than 1 year from the effective date of termination, unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer upon written request of the Contractor within this 1-year period. However, if the Contracting Officer determines that the facts justify it, a termination settlement proposal may be received and acted on after 1 year or any extension. If the Contractor fails to submit the proposal within the time allowed, the Contracting Officer may determine, on the basis of information available, the amount, if any, due the Contractor because of the termination and shall pay the amount determined.
- (f) Subject to paragraph (e) of this clause, the Contractor and the Contracting Officer may agree upon the whole or any part of the amount to be paid or remaining to be paid because of the termination. The amount may include a reasonable allowance for profit on work done. However, the agreed amount, whether under this paragraph (f) or paragraph (g) of this clause, exclusive of costs shown in paragraph (g)(3) of this clause, may not exceed the total contract price as reduced by (1) the amount of payments previously made and (2) the contract price of work not terminated. The contract shall be modified, and the Contractor paid the agreed amount. Paragraph (g) of this clause shall not limit, restrict, or affect the amount that may be agreed upon to be paid under this paragraph.
 - (g) If the Contractor and Contracting Officer fail to agree on the whole amount to be paid the Contractor because of the termination of work, the Contracting Officer shall pay the Contractor the amounts determined as follows, but without duplication of any amounts agreed upon under paragraph (f) of this clause:
 - (1) For contract work performed before the effective date of termination, the total (without duplication of any items) of—
 - (i) The cost of this work;
 - (ii) The cost of settling and paying termination settlement proposals under terminated subcontracts that are properly chargeable to the terminated portion of the contract if not included in subdivision (g)(1)(i) of this clause; and

- (iii) A sum, as profit on subdivision (g)(1)(i) of this clause, determined by the Contracting Officer under 49.202 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, in effect on the date of this contract, to be fair and reasonable; however, if it appears that the Contractor would have sustained a loss on the entire contract had it been completed, the Contracting Officer shall allow no profit under this subdivision (g)(1)(iii) and shall reduce the settlement to reflect the indicated rate of loss.
 - (2) The reasonable costs of settlement of the work terminated, including—
- (i) Accounting, legal, clerical, and other expenses reasonably necessary for the preparation of termination settlement proposals and supporting data;
 - (ii) The termination and settlement of subcontracts (excluding the amounts of such settlements); and
- (iii) Storage, transportation, and other costs incurred, reasonably necessary for the preservation, protection, or disposition of the termination inventory.
- (h) Except for normal spoilage, and except to the extent that the Government expressly assumed the risk of loss, the Contracting Officer shall exclude from the amounts payable to the Contractor under paragraph (g) of this clause, the fair value, as determined by the Contracting Officer, of property that is destroyed, lost, stolen, or damaged so as to become undeliverable to the Government or to a buyer.
- (i) The cost principles and procedures of Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, in effect on the date of this contract, shall govern all costs claimed, agreed to, or determined under this clause.
- (j) The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under the Disputes clause, from any determination made by the Contracting Officer under paragraph (e), (g), or (l) of this clause, except that if the Contractor failed to submit the termination settlement proposal or request for equitable adjustment within the time provided in paragraph (e) or (l), respectively, and failed to request a time extension, there is no right of appeal.
 - (k) In arriving at the amount due the Contractor under this clause, there shall be deducted—
 - (1) All unliquidated advance or other payments to the Contractor under the terminated portion of this contract;
 - (2) Any claim which the Government has against the Contractor under this contract; and
- (3) The agreed price for, or the proceeds of sale of, materials, supplies, or other things acquired by the Contractor or sold under the provisions of this clause and not recovered by or credited to the Government.
- (I) If the termination is partial, the Contractor may file a proposal with the Contracting Officer for an equitable adjustment of the price(s) of the continued portion of the contract. The Contracting Officer shall make any equitable adjustment agreed upon. Any proposal by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment under this clause shall be requested within 90 days from the effective date of termination unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer.
- (m)(1) The Government may, under the terms and conditions it prescribes, make partial payments and payments against costs incurred by the Contractor for the terminated portion of the contract, if the Contracting Officer believes the total of these payments will not exceed the amount to which the Contractor will be entitled.
- (2) If the total payments exceed the amount finally determined to be due, the Contractor shall repay the excess to the Government upon demand, together with interest computed at the rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury under 50 U.S.C. App. 1215(b)(2). Interest shall be computed for the period from the date the excess payment is received by the Contractor to the date the excess is repaid. Interest shall not be charged on any excess payment due to a reduction in the Contractor's termination settlement proposal because of retention or other disposition of termination inventory until 10 days after the date of the retention or disposition, or a later date determined by the Contracting Officer because of the circumstances.
- (n) Unless otherwise provided in this contract or by statute, the Contractor shall maintain all records and documents relating to the terminated portion of this contract for 3 years after final settlement. This includes all books and other evidence bearing on the Contractor's costs and expenses under this contract. The Contractor shall make these records and documents available to the Government, at the Contractor's office, at all reasonable times, without any direct charge. If approved by the Contracting Officer, photographs, microphotographs, or other authentic reproductions may be maintained instead of original records and documents. (End of clause)

123. FAR 52.249-10 DEFAULT (FIXED-PRICE CONSTRUCTION) (APR 1984)

(a) If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will insure its completion within the time specified in this contract including any extension, or fails to complete the work within this time, the Government may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the right to proceed with the work (or the separable part of the work) that has been delayed. In this event, the Government may take over the work and complete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. The Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the

Government resulting from the Contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within the specified time, whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the Government in completing the work.

- (b) The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor the Contractor charged with damages under this clause, if--
- (1) The delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include-
 - (i) acts of God or of the public enemy,
 - (ii) acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity,
 - (iii) acts of another Contractor in the performance of a contract with the Government,
 - (iv) fires,
 - (v) floods,
 - (vi) epidemics,
 - (vii) quarantine restrictions,
 - (viii) strikes,
 - (ix) freight embargoes,
 - (x) unusually severe weather, or
- (xi) delays of subcontractors or suppliers at any tier arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both the Contractor and the subcontractors or suppliers; and
- (2) The Contractor, within 10 days from the beginning of any delay (unless extended by the Contracting Officer), notifies the Contracting Officer in writing of the causes of delay. The Contracting Officer shall ascertain the facts and the extent of delay. If, in the judgment of the Contracting Officer, the findings of fact warrant such action, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The findings of the Contracting Officer shall be final and conclusive on the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clause.
- (c) If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Government.
- (d) The rights and remedies of the Government in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract. (End of Clause)

DISPUTES

124. FAR 52.233-1 DISPUTES (JUL 2002) ALT I (DEC 1991)

- (a) This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613).
- (b) Except as provided in the Act, all disputes arising under or relating to this contract shall be resolved under this clause.
- (c) "Claim," as used in this clause, means a written demand or written assertion by one of the contracting parties seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to this contract. However, a written demand or written assertion by the Contractor seeking the payment of money exceeding \$100,000 is not a claim under the Act until certified. A voucher, invoice, or other routine request for payment that is not in dispute when submitted is not a claim under the Act. The submission may be converted to a claim under the Act, by complying with the submission and certification requirements of this clause, if it is disputed either as to liability or amount or is not acted upon in a reasonable time.
- (d)(1) A claim by the Contractor shall be made in writing and, unless otherwise stated in this contract, submitted within 6 years after accrual of the claim to the Contracting Officer for a written decision. A claim by the Government against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the Contracting Officer.
- (2)(i) The Contractor shall provide the certification specified in paragraph (d)(2)(iii) of this clause when submitting any claim exceeding \$100,000.
- (ii) The certification requirement does not apply to issues in controversy that have not been submitted as all or part of a claim.
- (iii) The certification shall state as follows: "I certify that the claim is made in good faith; that the supporting data are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief; that the amount requested accurately reflects the contract adjustment for which the Contractor believes the Government is liable; and that I am duly authorized to certify the claim on behalf of the Contractor."

- (3) The certification may be executed by any person duly authorized to bind the Contractor with respect to the claim.
- (e) For Contractor claims of \$100,000 or less, the Contracting Officer must, if requested in writing by the Contractor, render a decision within 60 days of the request. For Contractor-certified claims over \$100,000, the Contracting Officer must, within 60 days, decide the claim or notify the Contractor of the date by which the decision will be made.
- (f) The Contracting Officer's decision shall be final unless the Contractor appeals or files a suit as provided in the Act.
- (g) If the claim by the Contractor is submitted to the Contracting Officer or a claim by the Government is presented to the Contractor, the parties, by mutual consent, may agree to use alternative dispute resolution (ADR). If the Contractor refuses an offer for ADR, the Contractor shall inform the Contracting Officer, in writing, of the Contractor's specific reasons for rejecting the offer.
- (h) The Government shall pay interest on the amount found due and unpaid from (1) the date that the Contracting Officer receives the claim (certified, if required); or (2) the date that payment otherwise would be due, if that date is later, until the date of payment. With regard to claims having defective certifications, as defined in FAR 33.201, interest shall be paid from the date that the Contracting Officer initially receives the claim. Simple interest on claims shall be paid at the rate, fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in the Act, which is applicable to the period during which the Contracting Officer receives the claim and then at the rate applicable for each 6-month period as fixed by the Treasury Secretary during the pendency of the claim.
- (i) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under or relating to the contract, and comply with any decision of the Contracting Officer. (End of clause)

125. FAR 52.233-4 APPLICALBLE LAW FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT CLAIM (OCT 2004)

United States law will apply to resolve any claim of breach of this contract. (End of clause)

PROTESTS

126. FAR 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)

- (a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from: Contracting Officer, 1500 E. Bannister Road, Room 2135, Kansas City, MO 64131
- (b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO. (End of Provision)

127. FAR 52.233-3 PROTEST AFTER AWARD (AUG 1996)

- (a) Upon receipt of a notice of protest (as defined in FAR 33.101) or a determination that a protest is likely (see FAR 33.102(d)), the Contracting Officer may, by written order to the Contractor, direct the Contractor to stop performance of the work called for by this contract. The order shall be specifically identified as a stop-work order issued under this clause. Upon receipt of the order, the Contractor shall immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage. Upon receipt of the final decision in the protest, the Contracting Officer shall either—
 - (1) Cancel the stop-work order; or
- (2) Terminate the work covered by the order as provided in the Default, or the Termination for Convenience of the Government, clause of this contract.
- (b) If a stop-work order issued under this clause is canceled either before or after a final decision in the protest, the Contractor shall resume work. The Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule or contract price, or both, and the contract shall be modified, in writing, accordingly, if--
- (1) The stop-work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in the Contractor's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this contract; and

- (2) The Contractor asserts its rights to an adjustment within 30 days after the end of the period of work stoppage; provided that if the Contracting Officer decides the facts justify the action, the Contracting Officer may receive and act upon a proposal at any time before final payment under this contract.
- (c) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for the convenience of the Government, the Contracting Officer shall allow reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order in arriving at the termination settlement.
- (d) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for default, the Contracting Officer shall allow, by equitable adjustment or otherwise, reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order.
- (e) The Government's rights to terminate this contract at any time are not affected by action taken under this clause.
- (f) If, as the result of the Contractor's intentional or negligent misstatement, misrepresentation, or miscertification, a protest related to this contract is sustained, and the Government pays costs, as provided in FAR 33.102(b)(2) or 33.104(h)(1), the Government may require the Contractor to reimburse the Government the amount of such costs. In addition to any other remedy available, and pursuant to the requirements of Subpart 32.6, the Government may collect this debt by offsetting the amount against any payment due the Contractor under any contract between the Contractor and the Government. (End of Clause)

OTHER

128. FAR 52.242-13 BANKRUPTCY (JUL 1995)

In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish, by certified mail or electronic commerce method authorized by the contract, written notification of the bankruptcy to the Contracting Officer responsible for administering the contract. This notification shall be furnished within five days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to bankruptcy filling. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of Government contract numbers and contracting officers for all Government contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this contract. (End of Clause)

129. GSAR 552.252-6 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES (SEP 1999)

- (a) Deviations to FAR clauses.
- (1) This solicitation or contract indicates any authorized deviation to a Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause, if the clause is not published in the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 5).
- (2) This solicitation indicates any authorized deviation to a Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause that is published in the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation by the addition of "(DEVIATION (FAR clause no.))" after the date of the clause.
- (b) Deviations to GSAR clauses. This solicitation indicates any authorized deviation to a General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation clause by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause.
- (c) "Substantially the same as" clauses. Changes in wording of clauses prescribed for use on a "substantially the same as" basis are not considered deviations. (End of clause)

130. FAR 52.252-2 - CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address (es): http://www.acqnet.gov/AcqNet/text/Library/Other/regs.html

131. FAR 52.242-1 - NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISALLOW COSTS (APR 1984)

(a) Notwithstanding any other clause of this contract—

- (1) The Contracting Officer may at any time issue to the Contractor a written notice of intent to disallow specified costs incurred or planned for incurrence under this contract that have been determined not to be allowable under the contract terms; and
- (2) The Contractor may, after receiving a notice under paragraph (a)(1) of this clause, submit a written response to the Contracting Officer, with justification for allowance of the costs. If the Contractor does respond within 60 days, the Contracting Officer shall, within 60 days of receiving the response, either make a written withdrawal of the notice or issue a written decision.
- (b) Failure to issue a notice under this Notice of Intent to Disallow Costs clause shall not affect the Government's rights to take exception to incurred costs. (End of clause)

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LABOR STANDARDS (CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT)

1. FAR 52.222-4 CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT—OVERTIME COMPENSATION (JUL 2005) (Applicable to Contracts in Excess of \$100,000)

- (a) Overtime requirements. No Contractor or subcontractor employing laborers or mechanics (see Federal Acquisition Regulation 22.300) shall require or permit them to work over 40 hours in any workweek unless they are paid at least 1 and 1/2 times the basic rate of pay for each hour worked over 40 hours.
- (b) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. The responsible Contractor and subcontractor are liable for unpaid wages if they violate the terms in paragraph (a) of this clause. In addition, the Contractor and subcontractor are liable for liquidated damages payable to the Government. The Contracting Officer will assess liquidated damages at the rate of \$10 per affected employee for each calendar day on which the employer required or permitted the employee to work in excess of the standard workweek of 40 hours without paying overtime wages required by the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.
- (c) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The Contracting Officer will withhold from payments due under the contract sufficient funds required to satisfy any Contractor or subcontractor liabilities for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. If amounts withheld under the contract are insufficient to satisfy Contractor or subcontractor liabilities, the Contracting Officer will withhold payments from other Federal or federally assisted contracts held by the same Contractor that are subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.
 - (d) Payrolls and basic records.
- (1) The Contractor and its subcontractors shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records for all laborers and mechanics working on the contract during the contract and shall make them available to the Government until 3 years after contract completion. The records shall contain the name and address of each employee, social security number, labor classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. The records need not duplicate those required for construction work by Department of Labor regulations at 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3) implementing the Davis-Bacon Act.
- (2) The Contractor and its subcontractors shall allow authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer or the Department of Labor to inspect, copy, or transcribe records maintained under paragraph (d)(1) of this clause. The Contractor or subcontractor also shall allow authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer or Department of Labor to interview employees in the workplace during working hours.
- (e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the provisions set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this clause in subcontracts that may require or involve the employment of laborers and mechanics and require subcontractors to include these provisions in any such lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower-tier subcontractor with the provisions set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this clause. (End of Clause)

NOTE: Clauses 2 through 12, below, are applicable to contracts in excess of \$2,000.

2. FAR 52.222-5 DAVIS-BACON ACT—SECONDARY SITE OF THE WORK (JUL 2005)

- (a)(1) The offeror shall notify the Government if the offeror intends to perform work at any secondary site of the work, as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of the FAR clause at 52.222-6, Davis-Bacon Act, of this solicitation.
- (2) If the offeror is unsure if a planned work site satisfies the criteria for a secondary site of the work, the offeror shall request a determination from the Contracting Officer.
- (b)(1) If the wage determination provided by the Government for work at the primary site of the work is not applicable to the secondary site of the work, the offeror shall request a wage determination from the Contracting Officer.

(2) The due date for receipt of offers will not be extended as a result of an offeror's request for a wage determination for a secondary site of the work. (End of provision)

3. FAR 52.222-6 DAVIS-BACON ACT (JUL 2005)

- (a) Definition.—"Site of the work"—
 - (1) Means—
- (i) The primary site of the work. The physical place or places where the construction called for in the contract will remain when work on it is completed; and
- (ii) The secondary site of the work, if any. Any other site where a significant portion of the building or work is constructed, provided that such site is—
 - (A) Located in the United States; and
 - (B) Established specifically for the performance of the contract or project;
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this definition, includes any fabrication plants, mobile factories, batch plants, borrow pits, job headquarters, tool yards, etc., provided—
- (i) They are dedicated exclusively, or nearly so, to performance of the contract or project; and
- (ii) They are adjacent or virtually adjacent to the "primary site of the work" as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(i), or the "secondary site of the work" as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this definition;
- (3) Does not include permanent home offices, branch plant establishments, fabrication plants, or tool yards of a Contractor or subcontractor whose locations and continuance in operation are determined wholly without regard to a particular Federal contract or project. In addition, fabrication plants, batch plants, borrow pits, job headquarters, yards, etc., of a commercial or material supplier which are established by a supplier of materials for the project before opening of bids and not on the Project site, are not included in the "site of the work." Such permanent, previously established facilities are not a part of the "site of the work" even if the operations for a period of time may be dedicated exclusively or nearly so, to the performance of a contract.
- (b)(1) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, or as may be incorporated for a secondary site of the work, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the Contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Any wage determination incorporated for a secondary site of the work shall be effective from the first day on which work under the contract was performed at that site and shall be incorporated without any adjustment in contract price or estimated cost. Laborers employed by the construction Contractor or construction subcontractor that are transporting portions of the building or work between the secondary site of the work and the primary site of the work shall be paid in accordance with the wage determination applicable to the primary site of the work.
- (2) Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (e) of this clause; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such period.
- (3) Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid not less than the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits in the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in the clause entitled Apprentices and Trainees. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein; provided that the employer's

payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed.

- (4) The wage determination (including any additional classifications and wage rates conformed under paragraph (c) of this clause) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the primary site of the work and the secondary site of the work, if any, in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.
- (c)(1) The Contracting Officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The Contracting Officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefor only when all the following criteria have been met:
- (i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination.
 - (ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry.
- (iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (2) If the Contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the Contracting Officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the Contracting Officer to the Administrator of the:

Wage and Hour Division Employment Standards Administration U.S. Department of Labor Washington, DC 20210

The Administrator or an authorized representative will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the Contracting Officer or will notify the Contracting Officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

- (3) In the event the Contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification, or their representatives, and the Contracting Officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the Contracting Officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the Contracting Officer, to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the Contracting Officer or will notify the Contracting Officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits, where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (c)(2) and (c)(3) of this clause shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.
- (d) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the Contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.
- (e) If the Contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the Contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program; provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the Contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the Contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program. (End of clause)

4. FAR 52.222-7 WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS (FEB 1988)

The Contracting Officer shall, upon his or her own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same Prime Contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same Prime Contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the Contracting Officer may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased. (End of clause)

5. FAR 52.222-8 PAYROLLS AND BASIC RECORDS (FEB 1988)

- (a) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the Contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of 3 years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found, under paragraph (d) of the clause entitled Davis-Bacon Act, that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the Contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.
- (b)(1) The Contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the Contracting Officer. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under paragraph (a) of this clause. This information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 (Federal Stock Number 029-005-00014-1) is available for this purpose and may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. The Prime Contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors.
- (2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the Contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify --
- (i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be maintained under paragraph (a) of this clause and that such information is correct and complete;
- (ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in the Regulations, 29 CFR Part 3; and

- (iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.
- (3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by subparagraph (b)(2) of this clause.
- (4) The falsification of any of the certifications in this clause may subject the Contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 3729 of Title 31 of the United States Code.
- (c) The Contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph (a) of this clause available for inspection, copying, or transcription by the Contracting Officer or authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer or the Department of Labor. The Contractor or subcontractor shall permit the Contracting Officer or representatives of the Contracting Officer or the Department of Labor to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or subcontractor fails to submit required records or to make them available, the Contracting Officer may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.l2. (End of Clause)

6. FAR 52.222-9 APPRENTICES AND TRAINEES (JUL 2005)

- (a) Apprentices.
- (1) An apprentice will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed when employed—
- (i) Pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer, and Labor Services (OATELS) or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OATELS; or
- (ii) In the first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, even though not individually registered in the program, if certified by the OATELS or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.
- (2) The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the Contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program.
- (3) Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated in paragraph (a)(1) of this clause, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.
- (4) Where a Contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the Contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination.
- (5) Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for

the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

- (6) In the event OATELS, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by OATELS, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.
 - (b) Trainees.
- (1) Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer, and Labor Services (OATELS). The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by OATELS.
- (2) Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed in the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate in the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the OATELS shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate in the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate in the wage determination for the work actually performed.
- (3) In the event OATELS withdraws approval of a training program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.
- (c) Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees, and journeymen under this clause shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 30. (End of Clause)

7. FAR 52.222-10 COMPLIANCE WITH COPELAND ACT REQUIREMENTS (FEB 1988)

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3, which are hereby incorporated by reference in this contract. (End of clause)

8. FAR 52.222-11 SUBCONTRACTS (LABOR STANDARDS) (JUL 2005)

- (a) *Definition*. "Construction, alteration or repair," as used in this clause, means all types of work done by laborers and mechanics employed by the construction Contractor or construction subcontractor on a particular building or work at the site thereof, including without limitation—
- (1) Altering, remodeling, installation (if appropriate) on the site of the work of items fabricated off-site;
 - (2) Painting and decorating;
- (3) Manufacturing or furnishing of materials, articles, supplies, or equipment on the site of the building or work;
- (4) Transportation of materials and supplies between the site of the work within the meaning of paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (ii) of the "site of the work" as defined in the FAR clause at 52.222-6, Davis-Bacon Act of this contract, and a facility which is dedicated to the construction of the building or work and is deemed part of the site of the work within the meaning of paragraph (2) of the "site of work" definition; and

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- (5) Transportation of portions of the building or work between a secondary site where a significant portion of the building or work is constructed, which is part of the "site of the work" definition in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of the FAR clause at 52.222-6, Davis-Bacon Act, and the physical place or places where the building or work will remain (paragraph (a)(1)(i) of the FAR clause at 52.222-6, in the "site of the work" definition).
- (b) The Contractor shall insert in any subcontracts for construction, alterations and repairs within the United States the clauses entitled—
 - (1) Davis-Bacon Act:
- (2) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act—Overtime Compensation (if the clause is included in this contract);
 - (3) Apprentices and Trainees;
 - (4) Payrolls and Basic Records;
 - (5) Compliance with Copeland Act Requirements;
 - (6) Withholding of Funds;
 - (7) Subcontracts (Labor Standards);
 - (8) Contract Termination—Debarment;
 - (9) Disputes Concerning Labor Standards;
 - (10) Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Regulations; and
 - (11) Certification of Eligibility.
- (c) The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor performing construction within the United States with all the contract clauses cited in paragraph (b).
- (d)(1) Within 14 days after award of the contract, the Contractor shall deliver to the Contracting Officer a completed Standard Form (SF) 1413, Statement and Acknowledgment, for each subcontract for construction within the United States, including the subcontractor's signed and dated acknowledgment that the clauses set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause have been included in the subcontract.
- (2) Within 14 days after the award of any subsequently awarded subcontract the Contractor shall deliver to the Contracting Officer an updated completed SF 1413 for such additional subcontract.
- (e) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e) in all subcontracts for construction within the United States. (End of Clause)

9. FAR 52.222-12 CONTRACT TERMINATION - DEBARMENT (FEB 1988)

A breach of the contract clauses entitled "Davis-Bacon Act," "Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act - Overtime Compensation," "Apprentices and Trainees," "Payrolls and Basic Records," "Compliance with Copeland Act Requirements," "Subcontracts (Labor Standards)," "Compliance With Davis-Bacon and Related Act Regulations," or "Certification of Eligibility" may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a Contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12. (End of Clause)

10. FAR 52.222-13 COMPLIANCE WITH DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT REGULATIONS (FEB 1988)

All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, and 5 are hereby incorporated by reference in this contract. (End of Clause)

11. FAR 52.222-14 DISPUTES CONCERNING LABOR STANDARDS (FEB 1988)

The United States Department of Labor has set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6, and 7 procedures for resolving disputes concerning labor standards requirements. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with those procedures and not the Disputes clause of this contract. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U. S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives. (End of Clause)

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12. FAR 52.222-15 CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY (FEB 1988)

- (a) By entering into this contract, the Contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the Contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (b) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (c) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001. (End of clause)

END OF 3505

GENERAL DECISION: MO20080002 03/07/2008 MO2

Date: March 7, 2008

General Decision Number: MO20080002 03/07/2008

Superseded General Decision Number: MO20070002

State: Missouri

Construction Type: Building

Counties: Cass, Clay, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Platte and

Ray Counties in Missouri.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (Does not include single family

homes and apartments up to and including 4 stories)

Modification Number Publication Date

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Rates

Fringes

Asbestos Workers/Insulator Includes the application of all insulating materials, protective coverings, coatings and finishes to all types of mechanical systems. Also the application of firestopping material for wall openings and penetrations in walls, floors, ceilings and

curtain walls.....\$ 29.89 10%+20.48

* BOIL0083-005 01/01/2008

Rates

Fringes

BOILERMAKERS.....\$ 31.00

BRMO0003-001 06/01/2007

Rates

Fringes

Marble Mason (Terrazzo

Workers and Tile Layers).....\$ 29.79

9.80

BRMO0003-002 06/01/2007

	Rates	Fringes
Tile Finishers\$	20.90	6.30
BRMO0015-002 04/01/2007		
	Rates	Fringes
BRICKLAYER\$	29.80	12.25
CARP0007-001 04/01/2007		
CASS, CLAY, JACKSON, PLATTE AND RA	Y COUNTIES	
	Rates	Fringes
Carpenters : Carpenter & Lather\$ Millwright & Piledriver\$		11.18 11.18
CARP0007-005 04/01/2007		
JOHNSON AND LAFAYETTE COUNTIES:		
	Rates	Fringes
Carpenters: Carpenter & Lather\$ Millwright & Piledriver\$		11.18 11.18
ELEC0124-002 09/05/2006		
	Rates	Fringes
Electricians (Including Low Voltage Installation Work)\$	30.73	16.92
ELEV0012-001 01/01/2008		
	Rates	Fringes
ELEVATOR MECHANIC\$	37.38 16	.285+a+b
a. VACATION: Employer contribute vacation pay credit for employee more than 5 years and 6% for 6 m Vacation Pay Credit.	who has worked	in business
b. PAID HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day Day, Labor Day, Veterans' Day, T after Thanksgiving Day and Chris	hanksgiving Day	Independence , Friday
ENGI0101-014 04/01/2007		
	Rates	Fringes

Power equip	oment operators:	
GROUP	1\$ 30.41	11.80
GROUP	2\$ 29.60	11.80
GROUP	3(a)\$ 24.05	11.80
GROUP	3 (b)\$ 24.85	11.80
GROUP	3(c)\$ 28.26	11.80
GROUP	3 (d) \$ 25.65	11.80
GROUP	4\$ 32.26	11.80
GROUP	5\$ 31.76	11.80
GROUP	6\$ 33.01	11.80
GROUP	7\$ 34.01	11.80
GROUP	8\$ 35.01	11.80

POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Cranes 150 ft. or less of Boom; Overhead Cranes; Hydraulic Cranes; Cherry Picker; Pile Drivers; Derrick and Derrick Cars (Power Operated); Clamshells; Concrete Mixer Paver; Grade-all-similar type; Hoist Operator; (Drum and Cable type)

GROUP 2: Asphalt Paver and Spreader; Asphalt Plant Mixer Operators; Asphalt Plant Operator; Back Hoe (all types); Barber- Green loader (similar type); Blade-power (all types); Boats- Power; Bobcat or Skid-Loader; Boring Machine; Brooms-Power operated (all types); Chip Spreader (Front man); Concrete Pump (with tower, \$0.50 per hour additional); Concrete Saws, Self- Propelled; Curb Finishing Machine, Ditching Machine; Dozers; Finishing Machine; Greaser; Hoist Operator (Personnel or Material Hoist); Hydra Hammer (all types); Loaders (all types); Locomotives (all types); Mechanic and Welder; Mucking Machine; Pumps-Material (all types); Rollers (all types); Self-propelled Rotary Drill; Shovel, Power; Side Boom; Testhole Machine;

GROUP 3: (a) Oilers (b) Oiler driver; (c) forklifts (d) Elevator Operator (Automatic or Push Button) A-frame trucks; mixers (with side loaders); pumps (with well points), dewatering systems, test or pressure pumps; tractors (except when hauling material) less than 50 h.p.

GROUP 4: Master Mechanic

GROUP 5: Crane (Tower or Climbing); Other cranes 150 ft. and over (including jib).

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GROUP 6: Cranes 225' and over including jib.

GROUP 7: Cranes 300' and over including jib.

GROUP 8: Cranes 350' and over including jib.

HOURLY PREMIUMS:

Clamshells, 100 ft. of boom or over (excluding jib) ($0.25)

Draglines, 100 ft. of boom or over ($0.25)

Hoists, each additional drum over 1 drum ($0.25)
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Pile Drivers, 100 ft. of boom or o	over (excluding	jib) (\$0.25)
IRON0010-017 04/01/2007		
	Rates	Fringes
Ironworker\$	20.20	19.10
LABO0264-001 04/01/2007		
	Rates	Fringes
Laborers: (LAFAYETTE AND RAY COUNTIES)		
GROUP 1\$	22.25	10.70
GROUP 2\$	22.65	10.70
GROUP 3\$	23.05	10.70
Laborers: (CASS, CLAY,	,	
JACKSON AND PLATTE COUNTIES)	22.25	10.70
GROUP 1\$		10.70
GROUP 2\$ GROUP 3\$		10.70
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LABORERS CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: General Laborer; Wire Mesh Handlers or Setters; Carpenter Tender; Track Persons; Signal Person; Salamander Tenders; Landscape Persons; Sod Layers; Wreckers (For Alterations or Entire Projects); Plumber Laborers (Conduit Pipe, Sewer Work, Drain Tile and Duct Lines, Digging and Back Filling); Power Tool Operators; Pier Hole Diggers (Over 10 feet); Jackhammer and Chipping Hammer Operators; Chain Saw Operators; Concrete Saw Operators; Brush Feeders or Pulverizers; Reinforcing Steel Handlers; Air Tamp Operators; Ditch Witch Operators; Swinging Scaffolds; Georgia Buggies Self Propelled; Fork Lift; Hose Person; Insulation Person.

GROUP 2: Fork Lift (Masonry); Brick Tender; Plasterer Tender; Stone Mason Tender (includes all Hod Carrier classification previously shown as Mortar person and Scaffolding)

GROUP 3: Vibrator Operator, Cutting Torch or Burner Person Barco; Jackson or Similar Tamp Operators; Asphalt Rakers; Power Person; Mastic Hot Kettle Person; Sandblasting and Gunite Nozzle Person; Wagon and Churn Drill Operators; Removal of Hazardous Waste and/or Asbestos (Except from Mechanical Systems that are not going to be scrapped)

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JOHNSON COUNTY

Rates

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GROUP	1\$	17.63	8.10
GROUP	2\$	19.13	8.10

LABORERS CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: General laborers:

Carpenter tenders; track men; wreckers; reinforcing rod carriers; signal men and all other general laborers; plumber laborers, sewer work, water lines, conduit pipe, drain tile and duct lines; batter board man on pipe and ditch work and vibrator man, Air tool operators, pier hole men working below ground; jack hammer; chipping hammer operators; material batch hopper man; scale man; spreader or screed man on asphalt machine; chain or concrete saw; brush feeders on pulverizers; swinging scaffold; cement handlers (bulk or sack).

GROUP 2: Specialist Laborer:

Plaster tenders; hod carriers; brick tenders; stone mason tenders; Laser Beam Man, Cutting torch and burner men; asphalt rakers; Barco tamper; Jackson or any similar tamps; power buggy operator; powder man; mastic kettleman; sandblasting and qunnite nozzlemen; head pipe layer on sewer work; men working in tunnels; head form setters and string line men; hot tar applicator; asbestos abatement worker.

PAIN0003-001 04/01/2007

	Rates	Fringes
Painters:		
Bazooka, Boxes and Power		
Sander\$		11.95
Brush & Roller\$	27.59	11.95
Drywall\$	27.81	11.95
Lead Abatement (Contained		
Area)\$		11.95
Lead Abatement, Sprayman\$	28.59	11.95
Paper Hanger\$	28.09	11.95
Sandblast (Bridge, Stage,		
Erected Steel, Storage Bin		
and Tank)\$	29.09	11.95
Spray\$	28.59	11.95
Sprayman (Storage Bin &		
Tanks, Elevated Tanks);		
Stageman (Spray);		
Bridgeman (Spray);		
Steelman (Spray)\$	29.34	11.95
Steeplejack - Spray or		
Sandblast (Other than		
Elevated Tanks)\$	33.28	11.95
Steeplejack (other than		

elevated tanks)		11.95 11.95
PAIN0558-002 10/01/2006		
	Rates	Fringes
Glaziers (All of Cass, Clay, Jackson and Platte Counties and ONLY East of Highway 13 in Johnson, Lafayette and Ray Counties)\$ PAIN0558-009 10/01/2006		
	Rates	Fringes
Glaziers ((West of Highway 13 in Johnson, Lafayette and Ray Counties))\$ PAIN1179-003 10/01/2006		12.67
	Rates	Fringes
Soft Floor Layers\$	29.00	9.05
PLAS0518-002 04/01/2005		
CASS, CLAY, JACKSON, JOHNSON, LAF.	AYETTE,	PLATTE AND RAY
	Rates	Fringes
Cement Mason/Concrete Finisher\$		10.55
PLAS0518-008 04/01/2007		
CASS, CLAY, JACKSON, JOHNSON, LAFA	YETTE,	PLATTE & RAY COUNTIES
	Rates	Fringes
Plasterer\$		10.77
PLUM0008-001 06/01/2007		
	Rates	Fringes
Plumbers Cass, Clay, Jackson,		

33.18	17.07
27.60	16.11
30.74	17.07
Rates	Fringes
3E 30	16.00
	16.28
Rates	Fringes
27.00	8.84
Rates	Fringes
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34.60	14.15
Rates	Fringes
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36.18	14.06
36.18	14.06
36.18 Rates 16.31	14.06
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TRUCK DRIVER CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 1: Dump Truck Drivers; Flat Bed trucks; Pickup Trucks; Transit Mix (Redi-Mix) (5 yds. and above); Semi-Truck Driver, Steel Truck Driver, Distributor Truck Driver & Operator.

GROUP 2: Double Bottom Units (20 ton capacity and over); ForkTrucks; Heavy Excavating (Dumpsters, Euclids, etc.); Heavy Hauling, A-Frame and Winch Trucks; Hydraulically Operated Aerial Lift; Hydro Lift Trucks; Straddle Trucks; Wheel Tractors (when used for towing); Articulated Dump Truck.

GROUP 3: Mechanics.

TEAM0541-015 03/25/2000

Rates

Fringes

Truck drivers:

Traffic Control Service

Driver.....\$ 14.15

2.44 + a

a. PAID HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, Decoration Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, Employee's birthday and 2 personal days.

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

In the listing above, the "SU" designation means that rates listed under the identifier do not reflect collectively bargained wage and fringe benefit rates. Other designations indicate unions whose rates have been determined to be prevailing.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

- 1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:
- * an existing published wage determination
- * a survey underlying a wage determination
- * a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- * a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour

Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

END OF GENERAL DECISION

Updated February 2008 (FAC 2005-23)

SOLICITATION PROVISIONS (Negotiated)

1. FAR 52.215-1 - INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION (JAN 2004)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision-

"Discussions" are negotiations that occur after establishment of the competitive range that may, at the Contracting Officer's discretion, result in the offeror being allowed to revise its proposal.

"In writing," "writing," or "written" means any worded or numbered expression that can be read, reproduced, and later communicated, and includes electronically transmitted and stored information.

"Proposal modification" is a change made to a proposal before the solicitation's closing date and time, or made in response to an amendment, or made to correct a mistake at any time before award.

"Proposal revision" is a change to a proposal made after the solicitation closing date, at the request of or as allowed by a Contracting Officer as the result of negotiations.

"Time," if stated as a number of days, is calculated using calendar days, unless otherwise specified, and will include Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. However, if the last day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the period shall include the next working day.

- (b) Amendments to solicitations. If this solicitation is amended, all terms and conditions that are not amended remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by the date and time specified in the amendment(s).
 - (c) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals.
- (1) Unless other methods (e.g., electronic commerce or facsimile) are permitted in the solicitation, proposals and modifications to proposals shall be submitted in paper media in sealed envelopes or packages (i) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (ii) showing the time and date specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror. Offerors using commercial carriers should ensure that the proposal is marked on the outermost wrapper with the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (c)(1)(ii) of this provision.
 - (2) The first page of the proposal must show—
 - (i) The solicitation number:
- (ii) The name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the offeror (and electronic address if available);
- (iii) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and agreement to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item;
- (iv) Names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of persons authorized to negotiate on the offeror's behalf with the Government in connection with this solicitation; and
- (v) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office.
 - (3) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals.
- (i) Offerors are responsible for submitting proposals, and any modifications or revisions, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that proposal or revision is due.
- (ii)(A) Any proposal, modification, or revision received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and—
- (1) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals; or
- (2) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or
 - (3) It is the only proposal received.

- (B) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (iii) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the proposal wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.
- (iv) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.
- (v) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before award. Oral proposals in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision at 52.215-5, Facsimile Proposals. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the proposal before award.
- (4) Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the offeror may propose to provide any item or combination of items.
- (5) Offerors shall submit proposals in response to this solicitation in English, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation, and in U.S. dollars, unless the provision at FAR 52.225-17, Evaluation of Foreign Currency Offers, is included in the solicitation.
- (6) Offerors may submit modifications to their proposals at any time before the solicitation closing date and time, and may submit modifications in response to an amendment, or to correct a mistake at any time before award.
 - (7) Offerors may submit revised proposals only if requested or allowed by the Contracting Officer.
- (8) Proposals may be withdrawn at any time before award. Withdrawals are effective upon receipt of notice by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) Offer expiration date. Proposals in response to this solicitation will be valid for the number of days specified on the solicitation cover sheet (unless a different period is proposed by the offeror).
- (e) Restriction on disclosure and use of data. Offerors that include in their proposals data that they do not want disclosed to the public for any purpose, or used by the Government except for evaluation purposes, shall—
 - (1) Mark the title page with the following legend:

This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the Government and shall not be duplicated, used, or disclosed—in whole or in part—for any purpose other than to evaluate this proposal. If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of—or in connection with—the submission of this data, the Government shall have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent provided in the resulting contract. This restriction does not limit the Government's right to use information contained in this data if it is obtained from another source without restriction. The data subject to this restriction are contained in sheets [insert numbers or other identification of sheets]; and

(2) Mark each sheet of data it wishes to restrict with the following legend:

Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal.

- (f) Contract award.
- (1) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors and subfactors in the solicitation.
 - (2) The Government may reject any or all proposals if such action is in the Government's interest.
 - (3) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received.
- (4) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract without discussions with offerors (except clarifications as described in FAR 15.306(a)). Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint. The Government reserves the

right to conduct discussions if the Contracting Officer later determines them to be necessary. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.

- (5) The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit cost or prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the proposal.
- (6) The Government reserves the right to make multiple awards if, after considering the additional administrative costs, it is in the Government's best interest to do so.
- (7) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.
- (8) The Government may determine that a proposal is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more contract line items is significantly overstated or understated as indicated by the application of cost or price analysis techniques. A proposal may be rejected if the Contracting Officer determines that the lack of balance poses an unacceptable risk to the Government.
- (9) If a cost realism analysis is performed, cost realism may be considered by the source selection authority in evaluating performance or schedule risk.
- (10) A written award or acceptance of proposal mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time specified in the proposal shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.
- (11) If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:
- (i) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.
- (ii) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.
- (iii) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
 - (iv) A summary of the rationale for award.
- (v) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.
- (vi) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency. (End of provision)

2. SUBMISSION OF REQUESTS FOR DEBRIEFINGS - GSA'S HOURS OF OPERATION.

GSA's hours of operation are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Requests for preaward debriefings postmarked or otherwise submitted after 4:30 PM will be considered submitted the following business day. Requests for postaward debriefings delivered after 4:30 PM will be considered received and filed the following business day.

3. FAR 52.236-28 - PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS - CONSTRUCTION (OCT 1997)

- (a) Proposals must be (1) submitted on the forms furnished by the Government or on copies of those forms; and (2) manually signed. The person signing a proposal must initial each erasure or change appearing on any proposal form.
- (b) The proposal form may require offerors to submit proposed prices for one or more items on various bases, including ---
 - (1) Lump sum price;
 - (2) Alternate prices;
 - (3) Units of construction; or
 - (4) Any combination of paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(3) of this provision.

- (c) If the solicitation requires submission of a proposal on all items, failure to do so may result in the proposal being rejected without further consideration. If a proposal on all items is not required, offerors should insert the words "no proposal" in the space provided for any item on which no proposal is submitted.
 - (d) Alternate proposals will not be considered unless this solicitation authorizes their submission.

4. FAR 52.222-24 - PREAWARD ON-SITE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE EVALUATION (FEB 1999) (This provision does not apply to construction).

If a contract in the amount of \$10 million or more will result from this solicitation, the prospective Contractor and its know first-tier subcontractors with anticipated subcontracts of \$10 million or more shall be subject to a preaward compliance evaluation by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), unless, within the preceding 24 months, OFCCP has conducted an evaluation and found the prospective Contractor and subcontractors to be in compliance with Executive Order 11246.

5. FAR 52.237-1 - SITE VISIT (APR 1984) (Applies when services other than construction are to be performed on Government installations).

Offerors or quoters are urged and expected to inspect the site where services are to be performed and to satisfy themselves regarding all general and local conditions that may affect the cost of contract performance, to the extent that the information is reasonably obtainable. In no event shall failure to inspect the site constitute grounds for a claim after contract award.

6. FAR 52.247-6 - FINANCIAL STATEMENT (APR 1984) (Applies to solicitations for transportation or for transportation related services.)

The offeror shall, upon request, promptly furnish the Government with a current certified statement of the offeror's financial condition and such data as the Government may request with respect to the offeror's operations. The Government will use this information to determine the offeror's financial responsibility and ability to perform under the contract. Failure of an offeror to comply with a request for information will subject the offeror to possible rejection on responsibility grounds.

7. FAR 52.222-46 - EVALUATION OF COMPENSATION FOR PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES (FEB 1993) (This provision applies to service contracts over \$500,000.)

- (a) Recompetition of service contracts may in some cases result in lowering the compensation (salaries and fringe benefits) paid or furnished professional employees. This lowering can be detrimental in obtaining the quality of professional services needed for adequate contract performance. It is therefore in the Government's best interest that professional employees, as defined in 29 CFR 541, be properly and fairly compensated. As a part of their proposals, offerors will submit a total compensation plan setting forth salaries and fringe benefits proposed for the professional employees who will work under the contract. The Government will evaluate the plan to assure that it reflects a sound management approach and understanding of the contract requirements. This evaluation will include an assessment of the offeror's ability to provide uninterrupted high-quality work. The professional compensation proposed will be considered in terms of its impact upon recruiting and retention, its realism, and its consistency with a total plan for compensation. Supporting information will include data, such as recognized national and regional compensation surveys and studies of professional, public and private organizations, used in establishing the total compensation structure.
- (b) The compensation levels proposed should reflect a clear understanding of work to be performed and should indicate the capability of the proposed compensation structure to obtain and keep suitably qualified personnel to meet mission objectives. The salary rates or ranges must take into account differences in skills, the complexity of various disciplines, and professional job difficulty. Additionally, proposals envisioning compensation levels lower than those of predecessor contractors for the same work will be evaluated on the basis of maintaining program continuity, uninterrupted high quality work, and availability of required competent professional service employees. Offerors are cautioned that lowered compensation for essentially the same professional work may indicate lack of sound management judgment and lack of understanding of the requirement.
- (c) The Government is concerned with the quality and stability of the work force to be employed on this contract. Professional compensation that is unrealistically low or not in reasonable relationship to the

various job categories, since it may impair the Contractor's ability to attract and retain competent professional service employees, may be viewed as evidence of failure to comprehend the complexity of the contract requirements.

(d) Failure to comply with these provisions may constitute sufficient cause to justify rejection of a proposal.

8. FAR 52.215-20 – REQUIREMENTS FOR COST OR PRICING DATA OR INFORMATION OTHER THAN COST OR PRICING DATA (OCT 1997)

- (a) Exceptions from cost or pricing data.
- (1) In lieu of submitting cost or pricing data, offerors may submit a written request for exception by submitting the information described in the following paragraphs. The Contracting Officer may require additional supporting information, but only to the extent necessary to determine whether an exception should be granted, and whether the price is fair and reasonable.
- (i) *Identification of the law or regulation establishing the price offered*. If the price is controlled under law by periodic rulings, reviews, or similar actions of a governmental body, attach a copy of the controlling document, unless it was previously submitted to the contracting office.
- (ii) Commercial item exception. For a commercial item exception, the offeror shall submit, at a minimum, information on prices at which the same item or similar items have previously been sold in the commercial market that is adequate for evaluating the reasonableness of the price for this acquisition. Such information may include—
- (A) For catalog items, a copy of or identification of the catalog and its date, or the appropriate pages for the offered items, or a statement that the catalog is on file in the buying office to which the proposal is being submitted. Provide a copy or describe current discount policies and price lists (published or unpublished), e.g., wholesale, original equipment manufacturer, or reseller. Also explain the basis of each offered price and its relationship to the established catalog price, including how the proposed price relates to the price of recent sales in quantities similar to the proposed quantities;
- (B) For market-priced items, the source and date or period of the market quotation or other basis for market price, the base amount, and applicable discounts. In addition, describe the nature of the market;
- (C) For items included on an active Federal Supply Service Multiple Award Schedule contract, proof that an exception has been granted for the schedule item.
- (2) The offeror grants the Contracting Officer or an authorized representative the right to examine, at any time before award, books, records, documents, or other directly pertinent records to verify any request for an exception under this provision, and the reasonableness of price. For items priced using catalog or market prices, or law or regulation, access does not extend to cost or profit information or other data relevant solely to the offeror's determination of the prices to be offered in the catalog or marketplace.
- (b) Requirements for cost or pricing data. If the offeror is not granted an exception from the requirement to submit cost or pricing data, the following applies:
- (1) The offeror shall prepare and submit cost or pricing data and supporting attachments in accordance with <u>Table 15-2</u> of FAR <u>15.408</u>.
- (2) As soon as practicable after agreement on price, but before contract award (except for unpriced actions such as letter contracts), the offeror shall submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by FAR <u>15.406-2</u>. (End of provision)

9. FAR 52.230-1 - COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS NOTICES AND CERTIFICATION (JUN 2000).

Note: This notice does not apply to small businesses or foreign governments. This notice is in three parts, identified by Roman numerals I through III.

Offerors shall examine each part and provide the requested information in order to determine Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) requirements applicable to any resultant contract.

If the offeror is an educational institution, Part II does not apply unless the contemplated contract will be subject to full or modified CAS coverage pursuant to 48 CFR 9903.201-2(c)(5) or 9903.201-2(c)(6), respectively.

I. DISCLOSURE STATEMENT—COST ACCOUNTING PRACTICES AND CERTIFICATION

- (a) Any contract in excess of \$500,000 resulting from this solicitation will be subject to the requirements of the Cost Accounting Standards Board (48 CFR Chapter 99), except for those contracts which are exempt as specified in 48 CFR 9903.201-1.
- (b) Any offeror submitting a proposal which, if accepted, will result in a contract subject to the requirements of 48 CFR Chapter 99 must, as a condition of contracting, submit a Disclosure Statement as required by 48 CFR 9903.202. When required, the Disclosure Statement must be submitted as a part of the offeror's proposal under this solicitation unless the offeror has already submitted a Disclosure Statement disclosing the practices used in connection with the pricing of this proposal. If an applicable Disclosure Statement has already been submitted, the offeror may satisfy the requirement for submission by providing the information requested in paragraph (c) of Part I of this provision.

Caution: In the absence of specific regulations or agreement, a practice disclosed in a Disclosure Statement shall not, by virtue of such disclosure, be deemed to be a proper, approved, or agreed-to practice for pricing proposals or accumulating and reporting contract performance cost data.

- (c) Check the appropriate box below:
- [] (1) Certificate of Concurrent Submission of Disclosure Statement. The offeror hereby certifies that, as a part of the offer, copies of the Disclosure Statement have been submitted as follows:
- (i) Original and one copy to the cognizant Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO) or cognizant Federal agency official authorized to act in that capacity (Federal official), as applicable; and
 - (ii) One copy to the cognizant Federal auditor.

(Disclosure must be on Form No. CASB DS-1 or CASB DS-2, as applicable. Forms may be obtained from the cognizant ACO or Federal official and/or from the loose-leaf version of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.)

Date of Disclosure Statement:Name and Address of Cognizant ACO or Federal Official Where Filed:	
The offeror further certifies that the practices used in estimating costs in	n pricing this proposal are
consistent with the cost accounting practices disclosed in the Disclosure S	Statement.
[] (2) Certificate of Previously Submitted Disclosure Statement. The	offeror hereby certifies that the
required Disclosure Statement was filed as follows:	,
Date of Disclosure Statement:	
Name and Address of Cognizant ACO or Federal Official Where Filed:	

consistent with the cost accounting practices disclosed in the applicable Disclosure Statement.

[] (3) Certificate of Monetary Exemption. The offeror hereby certifies that the offeror, together with all divisions, subsidiaries, and affiliates under common control, did not receive net awards of negotiated prime contracts and subcontracts subject to CAS totaling \$50 million or more in the cost accounting period

immediately preceding the period in which this proposal was submitted. The offeror further certifies that if such status changes before an award resulting from this proposal, the offeror will advise the Contracting Officer immediately.

[] (4) Certificate of Interim Exemption. The offeror hereby certifies that (i) the offeror first exceeded the monetary exemption for disclosure, as defined in (3) of this subsection, in the cost accounting period immediately preceding the period in which this offer was submitted and (ii) in accordance with 48 CFR 9903.202-1, the offeror is not yet required to submit a Disclosure Statement. The offeror further certifies that if an award resulting from this proposal has not been made within 90 days after the end of that period, the offeror will immediately submit a revised certificate to the Contracting Officer, in the form specified under paragraph (c)(1) or (c)(2) of Part I of this provision, as appropriate, to verify submission of a completed Disclosure Statement.

Caution: Offerors currently required to disclose because they were awarded a CAS-covered prime contract or subcontract of \$50 million or more in the current cost accounting period may not claim this exemption (4). Further, the exemption applies only in connection with proposals submitted before expiration of the 90-day period following the cost accounting period in which the monetary exemption was exceeded.

II. COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS—ELIGIBILITY FOR MODIFIED CONTRACT COVERAGE

If the offeror is eligible to use the modified provisions of 48 CFR 9903.201-2(b) and elects to do so, the offeror shall indicate by checking the box below. Checking the box below shall mean that the resultant contract is subject to the Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause in lieu of the Cost Accounting Standards clause.

o The offeror hereby claims an exemption from the Cost Accounting Standards clause under the provisions of 48 CFR 9903.201-2(b) and certifies that the offeror is eligible for use of the Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause because during the cost accounting period immediately preceding the period in which this proposal was submitted, the offeror received less than \$50 million in awards of CAS-covered prime contracts and subcontracts. The offeror further certifies that if such status changes before an award resulting from this proposal, the offeror will advise the Contracting Officer immediately.

Caution: An offeror may not claim the above eligibility for modified contract coverage if this proposal is expected to result in the award of a CAS-covered contract of \$50 million or more or if, during its current cost accounting period, the offeror has been awarded a single CAS-covered prime contract or subcontract of \$50 million or more.

III. ADDITIONAL COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO EXISTING CONTRACTS

The offeror shall indicate below whether award of the contemplated contract would, in accordance with paragraph (a)(3) of the Cost Accounting Standards clause, require a change in established cost accounting practices affecting existing contracts and subcontracts.

o o Yes No

(End of provision)

10. GSAR 552.233-70 PROTESTS FILED DIRECTLY WITH THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (MAR 2000)

(a) The following definitions apply in this provision: "Agency Protest Official for GSA" means the official in the Office of Acquisition Policy designated to review and decide procurement protests filed with GSA.

"Deciding official" means the person chosen by the protester to decide the agency protest. The deciding official may be either the Contracting Officer or the Agency Protest Official.

- (b) The filing time frames in FAR 33.103(e) apply. An agency protest is filed when the protest complaint is received at the location the solicitation designates for serving protests. GSA's hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Protests delivered after 4:30 p.m. will be considered received and filed the following business day.
 - (c) A protest filed directly with the General Services Administration (GSA) must:
 - (1) Indicate that it is a protest to the agency.
 - (2) Be filed with the Contracting Officer.
- (3) State whether the protester chooses to have the Contracting Officer or the Agency Protest Official for GSA decide the protest. If the protest is silent on this matter, the Contracting Officer will decide the protest.
- (4) Indicate whether the protester prefers to make an oral presentation, a written presentation, or an oral presentation confirmed in writing, of arguments in support of the protest to the deciding official.
 - (5) Include the information required by FAR 33.103(d)(2):
 - (i) Name, address, fax number, and telephone number of the protester.
 - (ii) Solicitation or contract number.
- (iii) Detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds for the protest, to include a description of resulting prejudice to the protester.
 - (iv) Copies of relevant documents.
 - (v) Request for a ruling by the agency.
 - (vi) Statement as to the form of relief requested.
- (vii) All information establishing that the protester is an interested party for the purpose of filing a protest.
- (viii) All information establishing the timeliness of the protest (see paragraph (b) of this provision).
- (d) An interested party filing a protest with GSA has the choice of requesting either that the Contracting Officer or the Agency Protest.
- (e) The decision by the Agency Protest Official for GSA is an alternative to a decision by the Contracting Officer. The Agency Protest Official for GSA will not consider appeals from the Contracting Officer's decision on an agency protest.
- (f) The deciding official must conduct a scheduling conference with the protester within three (3) days after the protest is filed. The scheduling conference will establish deadlines for oral or written arguments in support of the agency protest and for agency officials to present information in response to the protest issues. The deciding official may hear oral arguments in support of the agency protest at the same time as the scheduling conference, depending on availability of the necessary parties.
- (g) Oral conferences may take place either by telephone or in person. Other parties (e.g., representatives of the program office) may attend at the discretion of the deciding official.
- (h) The following procedures apply to information submitted in support of or in response to an agency protest:
- (1) The protester and the agency have only one opportunity to support or explain the substance of the protest (either orally, in writing, or orally confirmed in writing).
 - (2) GSA procedures do not provide for any discovery.
- (3) The deciding official has discretion to request additional information from either the agency or the protester. However, the deciding official will normally decide protests on the basis of information provided by the protester and the agency.
- (4) Except as provided in paragraph (5)(ii) below, the parties are encouraged, but not required, to exchange information submitted to the Agency Protest Official for GSA.
 - (5) If the agency makes a written response to the protest, the following filing requirements apply:
- (i) The agency must file its response to the protest with the deciding official within five (5) days after the filing of the protest.
- (ii) The agency must also provide the protester with a copy of the response on the same day it files the response with the deciding official. If the agency believes it needs to redact or withhold any information in the response from the protester, it must obtain the approval of the deciding official.

- (i) The deciding official will resolve the protest through informal presentations or meetings to the maximum extent practicable.
- (j) An interested party may represent itself or be represented by legal counsel. GSA will not reimburse the party for any legal fees related to the agency protest.
- (k) GSA will stay award or suspend contract performance in accordance with FAR 33.103(f). The stay or suspension, unless over-ridden, remains in effect until the protest is decided, dismissed, or withdrawn.
- (I) The deciding official will make a best effort to issue a decision on the protest within twenty-eight (28) days after the filing date. The decision may be oral or written. If the decision is communicated orally to the protester, the deciding official will confirm in writing within three (3) days after the decision.
- (m) GSA may dismiss or stay proceedings on an agency protest if a protest on the same or similar basis is filed with a protest forum outside of GSA.(End of provision)

11. GSAR 552.252-5 - AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN PROVISIONS (DEVIATION FAR 52.252-5) (SEP 1999)

- (a) Deviations to FAR Provisions. (1) This solicitation indicates any authorized deviations to a Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) provision by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the provision, if the provision is not published in the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 5).
- (2) This solicitation indicates any authorized deviations to a Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provision that is published in the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation by the addition of "(DEVIATION (FAR Provision No.))" after the date of the provision.
- (b) Deviations to GSAR Provisions. This solicitation recognizes any authorized deviation to a General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation provision by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the provision.
- (c) "Substantially the same as" provisions. Changes in wording of provisions prescribed for us on a "substantially the same as" basis are not considered deviations.

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SECTION 00120 - SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS

Note: Facsimile offers, modifications, or withdrawals, are not authorized for this solicitation.

- GENERAL.
- 1.01 **EXPLANATION TO OFFERORS**: Requests for clarification or interpretation of proposal documents must be submitted not less than ten (10) calendar days prior to date for receipt of proposals.

1.02 FAR 52.216-1 - TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a <u>Fixed-Price</u> contract under FAR 16.202 for the pre-construction phase. The optional construction phase services portion of this contract will be a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP), in accordance with the language contained in the solicitation document. (End of provision)

1.03 FAR 52.232-18 - AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (APR 1984)

Funds are not presently available for this contract. The Government's obligation under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for this contract and until the Contractor receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer. (End of clause)

2. FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION.

2.01 **GSAR 552.217-71 – NOTICE REGARDING OPTION(S) (NOV 1992)**

The General Services Administration (GSA) has included an option to [Insert "purchase additional quantities of supplies or services" or "extend the term of this contract" or "purchase additional quantities of supplies or services and to extend the term of this contract"] in order to demonstrate the value it places on quality performance by providing a mechanism for continuing a contractual relationship with a successful Offeror that performs at a level which meets or exceeds GSA's quality performance expectations as communicated to the Contractor, in writing, by the Contracting Officer or designated representative. When deciding whether to exercise the option, the Contracting Officer will consider the quality of the Contractor's past performance under this contract in accordance with 48 CFR 517.207. (End of provision)

2.02 GSAR 552.219-71 - NOTICE TO OFFERORS OF SUBCONTRACTING PLAN REQUIREMENTS (JUN 2005)

The General Services Administration (GSA) is committed to assuring that maximum practicable opportunity is provided to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns to participate in the performance of this contract consistent with its efficient performance. GSA expects any subcontracting plan submitted pursuant to FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan, to reflect this commitment. Consequently, an offeror, other than a small business concern, before being awarded a contract exceeding \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction), must demonstrate that its subcontracting plan represents a creative and innovative program for involving small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns as subcontractors in the performance of this contract.

2.03 GSAR 552.219-72 - PREPARATION, SUBMISSION, AND NEGOTIATION OF SUBCONTRACTING PLANS (JUN 2005)

- (a) An offeror, other than a small business concern, submitting an offer that exceeds \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction) shall submit a subcontracting plan with its initial offer. The subcontracting plan will be negotiated concurrently with price and any required technical and management proposals, unless the offeror submits a previously-approved commercial plan.
- (b) Maximum practicable utilization of small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns as subcontractors is a matter of national interest with both social and economic benefits. The General Services Administration (GSA) expects that an offeror's subcontracting plan will reflect a commitment to assuring that small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns are provided the maximum practicable opportunity, consistent with efficient contract performance, to participate as subcontractors in the performance of the resulting contract. An offeror submitting a commercial plan can reflect this commitment through subcontracting opportunities it provides that relate to the offeror's production generally; i.e., for both its commercial and Government business.
- (c) GSA believes that this potential contract provides significant opportunities for the use of small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns as subcontractors. Consequently, in addressing the eleven elements described at FAR 52.219-9(d) of the clause in this contract entitled Small Business Subcontracting Plan, the offeror shall:
- (1) Demonstrate that its subcontracting plan represents a creative and innovative program for involving small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns in performing the contract.
- (2) Include a description of the offeror's subcontracting strategies used in any previous contracts, significant achievements, and how this plan will build upon those earlier achievements.
- (3) Demonstrate through its plan that it understands the small business subcontracting program's objectives and GSA's expectations, and it is committed to taking those actions necessary to meet these goals or objectives.
- (d) In determining the acceptability of any subcontracting plan, the Contracting Officer will take each of the following actions:
- (1) Review the plan to verify that the offeror demonstrates an understanding of the small business subcontracting program's objectives and GSA's expectations with respect to the program and has included all the information, goals, and assurances required by FAR 52.219-9.
 - (2) Consider previous goals and achievements of contractors in the same industry.
- (3) Consider information and potential sources obtained from agencies administering national and local preference programs and other advocacy groups in evaluating whether the goals stated in the plan adequately reflect the anticipated potential for subcontracting to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns.
- (4) Review the offeror's description of its strategies, historical performance and significant achievements in placing subcontracts for the same or similar products or services with small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns. The offeror's description can apply to commercial as well as previous Government contracts.

(e) Failure to submit an acceptable subcontracting plan and/or correct deficiencies in a plan within the time specified by the Contracting Officer shall make the offeror ineligible for award.

(End of provision)

2.04 GSAR 552.219-73 - GOALS FOR SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (JUN 2005) ALTERNATE I (SEP 1999)

- (a) Maximum practicable utilization of small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns as subcontractors is a matter of national interest with both social and economic benefits.
- (1) The General Services Administration's (GSA's) commitment to ensuring that maximum practicable opportunity is provided to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns to participate as subcontractors in the performance of this contract, consistent with its efficient performance, must be reflected in the offeror's subcontracting plan submitted pursuant to the clause of this contract at FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan.
- (2) In addressing the eleven elements described at FAR 52.219-9(d), the offeror shall demonstrate that its subcontracting plan represents a creative and innovative program for involving small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns in performing this contract. An offeror submitting a commercial plan can demonstrate its commitment in providing maximum practicable opportunities through subcontracting opportunities it provides to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns that relate to the offeror's production generally; i.e., for both its commercial and Government business.
- (3) The subcontracting plan shall include a description of the offeror's subcontracting strategies used in previous contracts and significant achievements, with an explanation of how this plan will build upon those earlier achievements. Additionally, the offeror shall demonstrate through its plan that it understands the small business subcontracting program's objectives, GSA's expectations, and is committed to taking those actions necessary to meet these goals or objectives.
- (b) GSA believes that this contract provides significant opportunities for the use of small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns as subcontractors. Accordingly, it is anticipated that an acceptable subcontracting plan will contain at least the following goals:

Small Business37 percentHUBZone Small Business3 percentSmall Disadvantaged Business6 percentWomen-Owned Small Business5 percentVeteran-Owned Small Business5 percentService-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business3 percent

NOTE: Target goals are expressed as a percentage of planned subcontracting dollars.

- (c) In determining the acceptability of any subcontracting plan, the Contracting Officer will—
- (1) Review the plan to verify that the offeror has demonstrated an understanding of the small business subcontracting program's objectives and GSA's expectations with respect to the programs and has included all the information, goals, and assurances required by FAR 52.219-9;
 - (2) Consider previous goals and achievements of contractors in the same industry;
- (3) Consider information and potential sources obtained from agencies administering national and local preference programs and other advocacy groups in evaluating whether the goals stated in the plan adequately reflect the anticipated potential for subcontracting to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns; and

- (4) Review the offeror's description of its strategies, historical performance and significant achievements in placing subcontracts for the same or similar products or services with small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, veteran-owned, and service-disabled veteran owned small business concerns. The offeror's description can apply to commercial as well as previous Government contracts.
- (d) Failure to submit an acceptable subcontracting plan and/or correct deficiencies in a plan within the time specified by the Contracting Officer shall make the offeror ineligible for award.

(End of provision)

2.05 GSAR 552.211-72 - REFERENCE TO SPECIFICATIONS IN DRAWINGS. (FEB 1996)

As prescribed in 511.204(b), insert the following clause:

REFERENCES TO SPECIFICATIONS IN DRAWINGS (FEB 1996)

If military or other drawings are made a part of this contract, any reference in the drawings to Federal specifications or standards will be considered to be a reference to the date of such Federal specification or standard identified in the contract. If the date of the Federal specification or standard is not identified in the contract, the edition, including revisions thereto, in effect on the date the solicitation is issued will apply. (End of clause)

3. OFFERS.

3.01 Offerors are hereby advised that failure to submit an offer on all line items in the solicitation (see Supplement to SF-1442) will be cause for rejection of the offeror's proposal.

Clause 52.222-31 If you are providing for a contract price adjustment based solely on a percentage rate determined by the CO using a published economic indicator, then include clause 52.222-31. After option exercising, the CO would apply the percentage rate, based on the economic indicator, to the portion of the contract price or contract unit price designated in the contract clause as labor costs subject to Davis-Bacon. The CO must insert 50% as the estimated portion of the contract price that is labor unless the CO determines, prior to issuance of the solicitation, that a different percentage is more appropriate for a particular contract.

3.02 52.222-31 Davis-Bacon Act—Price Adjustment (Percentage Method)(DEC 2001)

(a) The wage determination issued under the Davis-Bacon Act by the Administrator, Wage and
Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, that is effective for an
option to extend the term of the contract,
will apply to that option period.
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(b) The Contracting Officer will adjust the portion	on of the contract price or contract unit price(s)
containing the labor costs subject to the Davis-Bacon A	Act to provide for an
increase in wages and fringe benefits at the exercise o	f each option to extend the term of the contract in
accordance with the following procedures: (1) The Cor	stracting Officer has determined that the portion of the
contract price or contract unit price(s) containing	Ţ
labor costs subject to the Davis-Bacon Act is	[Contracting Officer insert percentage rate]
percent. (2) The Contracting Officer will increase the pe	
the contract price or contract unit price(s) containing th	e labor costs subject to the Davis-Bacon Act by the
percentage rate published in[Contract	
	adjustment at the exercise of each option to extend
the term of the contract. This adjustment is the only ad	justment that the Contracting Officer will make to
cover any increases in wages and benefits as a result	of— (1) Incorporation of the Department of Labor's
wage determination applicable at the exercise of the or	otion to extend the term of the contract; (2)

Incorporation of a wage determination otherwise applied to the contract by operation of law; or (3) An

increase in wages and benefits resulting from any other requirement applicable to workers subject to the Davis-Bacon Act. (End of clause)

4. SITE VISIT.

4.01 PRE-BID REQUIREMENTS AND NOTICES:

(a) A pre-bid conference will be held as follows:

DATE: April 1, 2008

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE:Richard Bolling Federal Building 601 East 12th Street, Room 125 Kansas City, MO

(b) Bidder's participation is encouraged although attendance is not mandatory. The conference will provide opportunity for discussion of the nature of the work and problems that may be entailed, as well as to answer questions concerning contract provisions and requirements, including drawings and specifications. Bidders are requested to submit questions relative the bidding documents in advance of the meeting so that the Contracting Officer may prepare responses.

4.02 FAR 52.236-27 - SITE VISIT (CONSTRUCTION) (FEB 1995)

- (a) The clauses at 52.236-2, Differing Site Conditions, and 52.236-3, Site Investigations and Conditions Affecting the Work, will be included in any contract awarded as a result of this solicitation. Accordingly, offerors or quoters are urged and expected to inspect the site where the work will be performed.
- (b) Site visits may be arranged during normal duty hours by contacting:

NAME: Peter Castronuovo

ADDRESS: Richard Bolling Federal Building

601 East 12th Street Kansas City, MO

TELEPHONE: (816) 426-3963

4.03 No oral statement made by a Government representative during any site visit or prebid conference, nor any written record of such oral statements as may be made and subsequently furnished to the bidder, will be deemed to have the effect of adding to, modifying, or otherwise varying from the written provisions of the invitation for bids (including, but not limited to specifications, drawings and written amendments to the solicitation). In the event the discussion or questions raised during the site visit or prebid conference indicate a need to modify the invitation for bids, an amendment to the solicitation will be issued in writing; any such amendment to the solicitation must be acknowledged in accordance with paragraph 5, GSA Form 3501, "Solicitation Provisions (Sealed Bid)" or paragraph 1, GSA 3502, "Solicitation Provisions (Negotiated)", whichever is applicable.

5. **VENDOR REGISTRATION.**

5.01 52.204-7 CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (JULY 2006)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database" means the primary Government repository for Contractor information required for the conduct of business with the Government.

"Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number" means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun

and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities.

"Data Universal Numbering System +4 (DUNS+4) number" means the DUNS number assigned by D&B plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned by a business concern. (D&B has no affiliation with this 4-character suffix.) This 4-character suffix may be assigned at the discretion of the business concern to establish additional CCR records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see the FAR at Subpart 32.11) for the same parent concern.

"Registered in the CCR database" means that—

- (1) The Contractor has entered all mandatory information, including the DUNS number or the DUNS+4 number, into the CCR database; and
- (2) The Government has validated all mandatory data fields, to include validation of the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and has marked the record "Active". The Contractor will be required to provide consent for TIN validation to the Government as a part of the CCR registration process.
- (b)(1) By submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the CCR database prior to award, during performance, and through final payment of any contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchasing agreement resulting from this solicitation.
- (2) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" or "DUNS +4" followed by the DUNS or DUNS +4 number that identifies the offeror's name and address exactly as stated in the offer. The DUNS number will be used by the Contracting Officer to verify that the offeror is registered in the CCR database.
- (c) If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one.
 - (1) An offeror may obtain a DUNS number—
- (i) If located within the United States, by calling Dun and Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 or via the Internet at http://www.dnb.com; or
 - (ii) If located outside the United States, by contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.
 - (2) The offeror should be prepared to provide the following information:
 - (i) Company legal business.
 - (ii) Tradestyle, doing business, or other name by which your entity is commonly recognized.
 - (iii) Company Physical Street Address, City, State, and ZIP Code.
 - (iv) Company Mailing Address, City, State and ZIP Code (if separate from physical).
 - (v) Company Telephone Number.
 - (vi) Date the company was started.
 - (vii) Number of employees at your location.
 - (viii) Chief executive officer/key manager.
 - (ix) Line of business (industry).
 - (x) Company Headquarters name and address (reporting relationship within your entity).
- (d) If the Offeror does not become registered in the CCR database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror.
- (e) Processing time, which normally takes 48 hours, should be taken into consideration when registering. Offerors who are not registered should consider applying for registration immediately upon receipt of this solicitation.

- (f) The Contractor is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the CCR database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the CCR database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates its information in the CCR database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the CCR does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.
- (g)(1)(i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, "doing business as" name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in Subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to (A) change the name in the CCR database; (B) comply with the requirements of Subpart 42.12 of the FAR; and (C) agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor must provide with the notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.
- (ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (g)(1)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (g)(1)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the CCR information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the CCR record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see FAR Subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the CCR database. Information provided to the Contractor's CCR record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.
- (h) Offerors and Contractors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423, or 269-961-5757. (End of Clause)

5.02 52.204-8 ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (JAN 2006)

(a)(1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is [insert NAICS code].

(2) The small business size standard is _____ [insert size standard].

- (3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.
- (b)(1) If the clause at 52.204-7, Central Contractor Registration, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (c) of this provision applies.
- (2) If the clause at 52.204-7 is not included in this solicitation, and the offeror is currently registered in CCR, and has completed the ORCA electronically, the offeror may choose to use paragraph (c) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. The offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:
 - [] (i) Paragraph (c) applies.
- [] (ii) Paragraph (c) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.
- (c) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website at http://orca.bpn.gov. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are

incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below [offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

FAR CLAUSE#

TITLE

DATE CHANGE

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on ORCA. (End of provision)

5.03 **52.204-9** Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel (SEP 2007)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with agency personal identity verification procedures identified in the contract that implement Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD-12), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance M-05-24 and Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS PUB) Number 201.
- (b) The Contractor shall insert this clause in all subcontracts when the subcontractor is required to have routine physical access to a Federally-controlled facility and/or routine access to a Federally-controlled information system. (End of clause)
- 6.0 Tax exemption documentation will be provided upon the award of the contract.

Missouri Sales Tax:

Sales of supplies and materials to the contractor and subcontractors for use in this project are exempt from Missouri sales tax. Not withstanding any other provisions of this contract, the contract price is based upon exemption for Missouri Sales Tax for sales at retail of tangible personal property and materials for use in this project.

Sales to the contractor and subcontractors of construction materials and supplies for this project are exempt from Missouri sales tax provided the contractor and/or subcontractors provide to their suppliers a project exemption certificate authorizing purchases for the project.

An exemption letter and certificates will be furnished to the contractor by the Contracting Officer upon request of the contractor. Contractors/subcontractors must provide a copy of the exemption letter and certificate to suppliers when purchasing materials and supplies to be used in the project. (Purchases of machinery, equipment or tools used in fulfilling the contract are not exempt from sales tax). Suppliers are to include on their invoices the name of the exempt organization (GSA) and the project identification number. NOTE: Tax Exemption letters and certificates will not be issued until the required schedule of values and progress schedule have been submitted and approved.

Invoices should be retained by the purchasing contractor/subcontractor as required by law. Invoices shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer upon request for supplies purchased, used and consumed in fulfilling the project. All offerors are referred to the Missouri Revised Statutes for the specific requirements and provisions of the law.

Issuance of the exemption letters and exemption certificates does not relieve the contractor for responsibility for payment for materials or supplies, nor does it create a contractual relationship between GSA and any subcontractor.

END OF SECTION 00120

SECTION 00800 SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

GENERAL.

1.01 GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Whenever the term "General Conditions" is used in any section of the specifications, it refers to "Construction Contract Clauses (Fixed-Price)."

1.02 CLAUSES AND PROVISIONS:

The designations FAR and GSAR in the clauses and provisions refer to the regulations which provide for their use. FAR refers to the Federal Acquisition Regulations and GSAR refers to the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation. The FAR is published in Title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1 (48 CFR 1). The GSAR appears in Chapter 5 of Title 48 (48CFR 5). Occasionally, the term "Alternate" appears in a title. This term reflects the selected alternate wording of the particular clause or provision which appears in the FAR and GSAR. When "Deviation" appears in a title, the clause or provision represents an approved deviation from the referenced regulation.

1.03 EVALUATING CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE (CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE SYSTEM)

The General Services Administration, Public Buildings Service, is using the National Institute of Health's (NIH) Contractor Performance System (CPS) to maintain all contractor performance. The CPS, created by NIH, is a Federal multiple-agency, shared-file system that collects, maintains, and disseminates contractor performance information as required by Federal Acquisition Regulation, Subpart 42.15.

Interim and final evaluations of contractor performance will be prepared on this contract in accordance with FAR Subpart 42.15. Interim evaluations will be prepared annually (to coincide with the anniversary date of the contract) and may be done at any time when there is a significant change in performance. A final performance evaluation will be prepared at the time of contract completion.

Access to interim and final evaluations will be provided to the contractor as soon as practicable after completion of the evaluation. The contractor will be permitted thirty (30) days to review the evaluation and to submit additional information, comments, or a rebutting statement. Any disagreement will be referred to an individual one level above the Contracting Officer, whose decision will be final.

Copies of the evaluations, contractor responses, and review comments, if any, will be retained as part of the contract file, and may be used by all participating Federal Agencies to support future award decisions.

1.04 FAR 52.211-6 - BRAND NAME OR EQUAL (AUG 1999):

As prescribed in 11.107(a), insert the following provision:

- (a) If an item in this solicitation is identified as "brand name or equal," the purchase description reflects the characteristics and level of quality that will satisfy the Government's needs. The salient physical, functional, or performance characteristics that "equal" products must meet are specified in the solicitation.
- (b) To be considered for award, offers of "equal" products, including "equal" products of the brand name manufacturer, must—
 - (1) Meet the salient physical, functional, or performance characteristic specified in this solicitation;
 - (2) Clearly identify the item by-
 - (i) Brand name, if any; and
 - (ii) Make or model number;

- (3) Include descriptive literature such as illustrations, drawings, or a clear reference to previously furnished descriptive data or information available to the Contracting Officer; and
- (4) Clearly describe any modifications the offeror plans to make in a product to make it conform to the solicitation requirements. Mark any descriptive material to clearly show the modifications.
- (c) The Contracting Officer will evaluate "equal" products on the basis of information furnished by the offeror or identified in the offer and reasonably available to the Contracting Officer.

 The Contracting Officer is not responsible for locating or obtaining any information not identified in the offer.
- (d) Unless the offeror clearly indicates in its offer that the product being offered is an "equal" product, the offeror shall provide the brand name product referenced in the solicitation.

(End of provision)

2. BONDS AND INSURANCE.

2.01 BONDS:

THE REQUIREMENTS OF FAR CLAUSES 52.228-1, "Bid Guarantee" AND 52.228-15, "Performance and Payment Bonds - Construction" APPLY. Please refer to Construction Contract Clauses (Fixed-Price) section of the contract.

- (a) NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS ON THE USE OF INDIVIDUAL SURETIES In addition to the information required under the above referenced FAR and GSAR clauses, the following information is required in support of Standard Form (SF 28), "AFFIDAVIT OF INDIVIDUAL SURETY":
- (1) A current list of all other bonds on which the individual is a surety and bonds for which the individual is requesting to be a surety.
- (2) CPA certified balance sheet(s) and income statements(s) with a signed opinion for each individual surety.

The above referenced information will be utilized by the Contracting Officer to determine the acceptability of individuals proposed as sureties.

2.02 **INSURANCE**: FAR CLAUSE 52.228-5, "INSURANCE - WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION" APPLIES. Please refer to Construction Contract Clauses (Fixed-Price) section of the contract. THE COVERAGES SPECIFIED BELOW, PURSUANT TO SUBPART 28.306 OF THE FAR ARE THE MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIRED.

NOTE: THE GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE REFERENCED IN THE PARAGRAPH (b) BELOW MUST NAME "THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION" AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED.

(a) WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY.

Contractors are required to comply with applicable Federal and State workers' compensation and occupational disease statutes. If occupational diseases are not compensable under those statutes, they shall be covered under the employer's liability section of the insurance policy, except when contract operations are so commingled with a contractor's commercial operations that it would not be practical to require this coverage. Employer's liability coverage of at least \$100,000 shall be required, except in States

with exclusive or monopolitic funds that do not permit workers' compensation to be written by private carriers.

(b) **GENERAL LIABILITY**

The contractor shall provide bodily injury liability insurance coverage written on the comprehensive form of policy of at least \$500,000 per occurrence and \$50,000 per occurrence for property damage.

(c) AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

The contractor shall provide automobile liability insurance written on the comprehensive form of policy. The policy shall provide for bodily injury and property damage liability covering the operation of all automobiles used in connection with performing the contract. Policies covering automobiles operated in the United States shall provide coverage of at least \$200,000 per person and \$500,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and \$20,000 per occurrence for property damage. The amount of liability coverage on other policies shall be commensurate with any legal requirements of the locality and sufficient to meet normal and customary claims.

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS APPLY ONLY IF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ARE REMOVED, TRANSPORTED OR DISPOSED OF.

(d) POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE.

Hazardous Material shall mean any hazardous or toxic substance or waste as defined in any environmental law, regulation, rule, ordinance, by-law, order or determination of any governmental or judicial authority at the federal, state, or local level applicable to the relevant site. It includes, but is not limited to, any petroleum or petroleum product, asbestos, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's), contaminated equipment, and underground and aboveground storage tanks and the contents thereof.

The contractor shall provide to GSA the scheduled insurance coverage described below, without exclusion, for liabilities arising out of the removal and transportation of hazardous materials. All insurance shall be provided to GSA by the contractor or its subcontractor performing the work and name GSA as an additional insured and certificate holder.

The coverage shall be a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence for all projects. If the contractor provides sufficient written proof to the Contracting Officer that occurrence coverage is not available from the insurance industry for the required coverage but is available on a claims made basis, then such coverage shall begin on the date of the contract award and shall survive for a minimum of three (3) years following the date that the last of any hazardous materials were removed, transported, disposed of and/or deposited at an appropriate EPA licensed facility. If insurance is available from the insurance industry on an occurrence basis, coverage shall survive the period of performance of this contract and beyond until such time as is reasonable that a claim might arise out of the work performed, such period of time being no less than seven (7) years. Additionally, all insurance coverage shall survive until all hazardous materials are disposed of in an ultimate EPA licensed disposal facility, including an incinerator, and until all federal, state and local environmental requirements have been complied with, whether such compliance is the obligation of the contractor, its subcontractor, GSA or other third parties. All disposal facilities shall provide GSA written evidence that they are licensed EPA disposal facilities and that they maintain pollution liability insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00, which covers all claims arising from the disposal facilities' handling and storage of the hazardous materials. Pollution liability insurance for the transportation of the hazardous material may be carried by the transporter with limits not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence and, unless otherwise waived in writing by the Contracting Officer, shall name GSA and the contractor as additional insured's.

3. PERFORMANCE.

NOTE: FAR 52.211-10 Applies to Notice to Proceed for Construction Phase Services

3.01 FAR 52.211-10 - COMMENCEMENT, PROSECUTION & COMPLETION OF WORK (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall be required to:

- (a) Commence work under this contract within one (1) calendar day after the Contractor receives the Notice to Proceed.
 - (b) Prosecute the work diligently, and
 - (c) Complete the entire work ready for use not later than:

1461 calendar days (subject to adjustment upon exercising the Option for Construction Phase Services). The time stated for completion shall include final cleanup of the premises.

3.02 GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS.

The Department of Labor OSHA requires that all contractors involved in construction on Government owned or leased property comply with the Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards applicable to Construction Work and Technical Amendments, Final Rule 29 CFR Parts 1910 and 1926 as published in the Federal Register Volume 58, No. 124, June 30, 1993.

In addition, any Contractor that performs construction type work on any GSA project as defined by the Scope of the referenced regulation is required to (1) provide and maintain his own protective equipment and devices, etc; and (2) require all subcontractors used on site to follow these same provisions in the regulation.

4. FAR 52.222-23 - NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR CONSTRUCTION (FEB 1999)**

- (a) The offeror's attention is called to the Equal Opportunity clause and the Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for Construction clause of this solicitation.
- (b) The goals for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate work force in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

GOALS FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION FOR EACH TRADE	GOALS FOR FEMALE PARTICIPATION FOR EACH TRADE				
SMSA 12.7%	6.9%				

These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, the Contractor shall apply the goals established for the geographical area where the work is actually performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notices form, and these notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs Office.

(c) The Contractor's compliance with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the regulations in 41 CFR 60-4 shall be based on (1) its implementation of the Equal Opportunity clause, (2) specific affirmative action obligations required by the clause entitled "Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for

Construction," and (3) its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade. The Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project, for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the regulations in 41 CFR 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

- (d) The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor, within 10 working days following award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the --
 - (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor.
 - (2) Estimated dollar amount of the subcontract;
 - (3) Estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and
 - (4) Geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.
 - (e) As used in this Notice, and in any contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is

4.01 FAR 52.219-4 - NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE FOR HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (Jul 2005)

- (a) *Definition*. "HUBZone small business concern," as used in this clause, means a small business concern that appears on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration.
 - (b) Evaluation preference.
 - (1) Offers will be evaluated by adding a factor of 10 percent to the price of all offers, except—
- (i) Offers from HUBZone small business concerns that have not waived the evaluation preference; and
 - (ii) Otherwise successful offers from small business concerns.
- (2) The factor of 10 percent shall be applied on a line item basis or to any group of items on which award may be made. Other evaluation factors described in the solicitation shall be applied before application of the factor.
- (3) A concern that is both a HUBZone small business concern and a small disadvantaged business concern will receive the benefit of both the HUBZone small business price evaluation preference and the small disadvantaged business price evaluation adjustment (see FAR clause <u>52.219-23</u>). Each applicable price evaluation preference or adjustment shall be calculated independently against an offeror's base offer. These individual preference amounts shall be added together to arrive at the total evaluated price for that offer.
- (c) Waiver of evaluation preference. A HUBZone small business concern may elect to waive the evaluation preference, in which case the factor will be added to its offer for evaluation purposes. The agreements in paragraph (d) of this clause do not apply if the offeror has waived the evaluation preference.
 - o Offeror elects to waive the evaluation preference.
- (d) Agreement. A HUBZone small business concern agrees that in the performance of the contract, in the case of a contract for—

- (1) Services (except construction), at least 50 percent of the cost of personnel for contract performance will be spent for employees of the concern or employees of other HUBZone small business concerns;
- (2) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), at least 50 percent of the cost of manufacturing, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by the concern or other HUBZone small business concerns;
- (3) General construction, at least 15 percent of the cost of the contract performance incurred for personnel will be spent on the concern's employees or the employees of other HUBZone small business concerns; or
- (4) Construction by special trade contractors, at least 25 percent of the cost of the contract performance incurred for personnel will be spent on the concern's employees or the employees of other HUBZone small business concerns.
- (e) A HUBZone joint venture agrees that in the performance of the contract, the applicable percentage specified in paragraph (d) of this clause will be performed by the HUBZone small business participant or participants.
- (f) A HUBZone small business concern nonmanufacturer agrees to furnish in performing this contract only end items manufactured or produced by HUBZone small business manufacturer concerns. This paragraph does not apply in connection with construction or service contracts. (End of clause)

5. FAR 52.211-12 - LIQUIDATED DAMAGES-CONSTRUCTION (SEPT 2000)

- (a) If the Contractor fails to complete the work within the time specified in the contract the Contractor shall pay liquidated damages to the Government in the amount of <u>(Amount to be determined prior to exercising the Option for Construction Phase Services)</u> for each calendar day of delay until the work is completed or accepted.
- (b) If the Government terminates the Contractor's right to proceed, liquidated damages will continue to accrue until the work is completed. These liquidated damages are in addition to the excess costs of repurchase under the Termination clause. (End of clause)

NOTE: "Amount to be determined prior to exercising the Option for Construction Phase Services."

5.01 FAR 52.211-13 TIME EXTENSIONS (SEPT 2000)

Time extensions for contract changes will depend upon the extent, if any, by which the changes cause delay in the completion of the various elements of construction. The change order granting the time extension may provide that the contract completion date will be extended only for those specific elements related to the changed work and that the remaining contract completion dates for all other portions of the work will not be altered. The change order also may provide an equitable readjustment of liquidated damages under the new completion schedule. (End of clause)

6. INVOICE REQUIREMENTS:

When an invoice is required to be submitted under this contract, the Contractor shall submit it in accordance with the following clause:

6.01 GSAR 552.232-70 - INVOICE REQUIREMENTS (SEP 1999)

- (a) Invoices shall be submitted in an original only unless otherwise specified, to the designated billing office specified in the contract or order.
 - (b) Invoices must include the Pegasys Document Number (PDN) provided below on the order.

NOTE: Solicitations awarded beginning 10/1/2002 will have a Pegasys Document Number (PDN) instead

of an ACT number. The PDN number must be listed on all invoices in order to ensure proper payment.

PDN Number: Located on block #23 of the SF-1442, Solicitation, Offer and Award

(c) In addition to the requirements for a proper invoice specified in the Prompt Payment clause of this contract or order, the following information or documentation must be submitted with each invoice:

(NOTE: <u>ALL INVOICES MUST HAVE ORIGINAL SIGNATURES</u> - PHOTOCOPIES OF SIGNATURES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.)

- (1) Name of the business concern and invoice date.
- (2) Contract number
- (3) Delivery order number, if applicable, or other authorization for delivery of property or services
- (4) Name (where practicable), title, phone number, and complete mailing address of responsible official to whom payment is to be sent. The "remit to" address must correspond to the payment address in the contract.
 - (5) Additional forms required:
 - a. Current Payrolis
 - b. GSA FORM 2419, Certification of Payment to Subcontractors and Suppliers
 - c. GSA FORM 1142, Release of Claims (Required only on final payments)

7. GSAR 552.232-78 - PAYMENT INFORMATION (JUL 2000)

The General Services Administration (GSA) makes information on contract payments available electronically at http://www.finance.gsa.gov. The Contractor may register at the site and review its record of payments. This site provides information only on payments made by GSA, not by other agencies. (End of clause)

8. PROMPT PAYMENT.

(a) The Contractor shall attend payment meetings each month, as scheduled herein with the designated Government representative, prior to the submission of the Contractor's progress payment invoice (payment request). These may be held in conjunction with the progress meetings. The payment meetings may be conducted in person or by telephone. The meetings will enable payments to be made promptly and within the dates established in the contract. The purpose of the payment meetings is to enable the Contractor and the Government representative to discuss the amount of the prospective payment and the supporting documentation required, and to reach agreement on the amount thereof. Inspections by all parties will be completed prior to or during the meeting, thus ensuring timely substantiation and agreement on payment amounts. The schedule for payment meetings is as follows:

"A schedule will be determined at the pre-construction conference."

(b) The Contractor shall submit the original invoice to the Contracting Officer, with a copy to the GSA Project Architect or Engineer or, if a contract is being administered with the assistance of a CQM or CM contractor, a copy to such contractor, as follows:

"To be determined, if required."

(c) Payment requests shall not be submitted until the scheduled payment meetings are held. If the Contractor fails to attend a payment meeting, the Government will make payment on the Contractor's payment request based on the results of the Government inspection, in an amount of no more than the

Government's estimate of the amount due. The balance of the Contractor's payment request will remain in dispute and will not be subject to any late payment penalty until such time that an invoice including the disputed amount is resubmitted and agreement is reached with the Contracting Officer on any payment amount being due.

- (d) Payment due dates are based upon the receipt of a proper invoice by the Contracting Officer. If the invoice is defective (see FAR clause 52.232-27, PROMPT PAYMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, and GSAR clause 552.232-70, INVOICE REQUIREMENTS), it will be returned to the Contractor for appropriate action. If there is a disagreement over the payment amount, the Contracting Officer may pay the portion of the requested payment that is not in dispute.
- (e) Any inquiries on payments are to be directed to the Contracting Officer, or the GSA Project Architect or Engineer.

9. OTHER PROVISIONS.

9.01 SAVE HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:

The Contractor shall save and keep harmless and indemnify the Government against any and all liability claims, and cost of whatsoever kind and nature of injury to or death of any person or persons and for loss or damage to any property (Government or otherwise) occurring in connection with or in any way incident to or arising out of the occupancy, use, service, operations, or performance of work in connection with this contract, or in connection with his selling or offering to sell construction materials on the site, resulting in whole or in part from the negligent acts or fault of Contractor, any subcontractor, or any employee, agent, or representative of Contractor or any subcontractor.

9.02 MINIMUM CONTENT STANDARDS FOR RECOVERED MATERIALS IN BUILDING INSULATION PROJECTS

In order to promote the utilization of recovered materials in the manufacture of building insulation products to the maximum extent practicable, the minimum content standards in Table 1, below, have been established for this solicitation. If this solicitation provides for the use of building insulation products for which a minimum content standard is not contained in the table, the contractor shall use its best efforts to provide building insulation products with the maximum percentage of recovered materials.

"Building insulation" means a material, primarily designed to resist heat flow, which is installed between the conditioned volume of a building and adjacent unconditioned volumes or the outside. This term includes but is not limited to insulation products such as blanket, board, spray-in-place, and loose-fill that are used as ceiling, floor, foundation, and wall insulation. This excludes insulation used primarily for acoustic purposes, and insulation used on plumbing and heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning systems.

TABLE 1. -- MINIMUM CONTENT STANDARDS FOR RECOVERED MATERIALS IN BUILDING INSULATION PRODUCTS

Material Type	Percent by Weight		
Cellulose loose-fill and spray on	75 percent postconsumer recovered paper		
Perlite composite board	23 percent postconsumer recovered paper		

Plastic rigid foam, polyisocyanurate/ polyurethane:	
Řigid foam	9 percent recovered material
Foam-in-place	5 percent recovered material
Glass fiber reinforced	6 percent recovered material
Phenolic rigid foam	5 percent recovered material
Rock wool	50 percent recovered

10. SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

10.01 CLEARANCE OF PERSONNEL

(a) Overview of clearance of contract employee personnel. Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 "Policy for a Common Identification Standard for Federal Employees and Contractors" (the Directive) has become effective on August 27, 2004. Agencies are required to comply with the FIPS 201-1, Part One program by October 27, 2005 and FIPS 201-1 Part Two by October 27, 2006. In addition, the Office of Management and Budget has issued additional implementation guidance, M 05 24 which is dated August 5, 2005. The contractor shall comply with guidance from those documents concerning implementation of these programs provided by the Contracting Officer. The Notice to Proceed (NTP) shall not be issued until the clearance described in item 3 (General Description of the Clearance Process) below is completed.

(b) General description of the clearance process.

1. FBI Name Check & FBI National Criminal History Fingerprint Check or NAC.

Based on guidance outlined in the FAR clause, the NAC process is less than the NACI process. Upon receipt of the sealed envelope containing the required forms, the GSA designated official will forward each clearance package to FPS for processing. A preliminary review will be conducted which consists of an FBI Name Check and an FBI National Criminal History Fingerprint Check. If the checks are favorable and upon initiation of the NAC, the contractor employee maybe granted limited access to Federally-controlled facilities and Federal Information Systems. The employee will not be given access to the facility until the NAC comes back favorable. This process takes approximately two (2) weeks but could take longer.

2. National Agency Check with Written Inquiries and Credit NACIC.

For contractor's employees who receive a favorable FBI check as described above, a National Agency Check with Written Inquiries and Credit (NACIC) will be initiated. The NACIC check includes record searches with selected sources covering specific areas of the employee's background including credit, and written inquiries covering specific areas of the employee's background during the past seven (7) years. The clearance NCIC process takes approximately six (6) months or could take longer. Note: Extra checks are in the credit portion of NACIC and are only required for certain positions (i.e. moderate or high risk) or by special request by GSA/PBS.

The Government reserves the right to substitute a NCIC check in place of the NAC check on applicants when it sees fit.

3. Issuance of Identification Credential.

Upon receipt of a favorable FBI background or NAC each contract employee may be issued an identification credential in accordance with the individual Federally-controlled facility procedures. Related NACI and possibly NACIC check will continue. Based on HSPD-12, NACI is the minimum security Investigation required. As stated above, the FAR clause states that the NAC security clearance is less than the NACI security clearance. If an unfavorable decision comes back from the NACI or NACIC as a result of those checks that credential will be revoked. The employee will be then denied access to Federal facilities, federally controlled space and/or to Federal facilities, federally controlled space and/or Federal Information Systems.

- 4. Applicable Estimated Timelines After Receipt of FPS Security Package Received in Denver, Colorado:
 - 1. Estimated 45 days for a NACI security clearance
 - 2. Estimated 5 days for a Preliminary clearance
 - 3. Estimated 5-6 days for a final
- (c) **Submission of Forms.** The contractor shall submit after award the following forms and information for each contractor employee who will require access to a Federally-controlled facilities and/or a Federal Information System in performance of the contract.
 - 1. SF 85P (Questionnaire for Public Trust Positions) (1 original & 1 copy) (SF 86A, Continuation Sheet SF85, SF85P) shall be used if additional space is needed) Note: SF85P is the form that OPM requires in order to process a NACI which is the minimum clearance mandated by HSPD-12.
 - 2. FD 258 (Fingerprint Cards) (2 originals)
 - 3. GSA Form 3665 (Credit Release Authorization) (1 original)
 - 4. New contract information cover sheet

The Contractor shall furnish these forms to the GSA's designated official in a sealed envelope together with a cover letter for each applicant on the company's letterhead. The forms may soon be provided for electronic use. The letter shall be attached to the outside of the envelope and list the following information:

- 1. The applicant full name and his/her social security number.
- 2. The contract number
- 3. The name, address and phone number of the individual who took each set of fingerprints.
- (d) **Unsuitable Employees.** If the Contracting Officer receives an unsuitable report on any prospective contractor employee, or if the CO finds a prospective employee to be otherwise unsuitable or unfit for his assigned duties, the contractor shall be advised immediately by the CO that such employees will not be allowed under the contract.

If the Government becomes aware of a contract employee who has engaged in reckless behavior which endangers the safety and health of other individuals or Government interests that credential for that employee might be revoked. The definition of what endangers Government interest is outlined in GSA Security Order ADMP 9732.1.

The Contractor must then take action to remove the employees from the GSA contract.

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PART 3: TECHNICAL REFERENCES

Design Documentation

The design of the Project shall be defined as to project scope, design criteria, and technical requirements by the following (including the documents referenced in this section). The CMc shall become totally familiar with the documentation clarifying any questions, ambiguities, or uncertainties as to the requirements with the COR or designated government representative.

1. Handbooks and References

The following handbooks and references shall provide important design direction that must be meet by this Project except as noted in this scope.

A. PBS-P100 Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service (March 2005)

1.1. Handbooks:

- A. The Facility Standards for the Public Buildings Service, PBS-P100, dated March 2005.
- B. Requirements and Specifications for Special Purpose and Support Space Manual U. S. Marshals Service Volumes 1, 2 and 3, Millennium Edition, hereinafter called U. S. Marshals Handbook.
- C. Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards, FED-STD-795 dated April, 1988 hereinafter UFAS.
- D. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), 42 U. S. C. 4151, Title III hereinafter called Title III ADA Standard.
- E. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities Part II 36 CFR 1191 State and Local Government Facilities, Interim Final Rule dated 06/20/94
- F. GSA Security Criteria, dated January 17, 1997.

Notes:

• In case of conflicts existing between passages in two or more handbooks, the passage in the Handbook of latest issue shall govern.

1.2. Codes and Standards:

- A. Chapter 1 of PBS-P100 states the appropriate codes and standards as well as the GSA policy of compliance that governs design of this project.
- B. For life safety requirements, the NFPA 101, Code of Safety to Life from Fire in Buildings and Structures, known as Life Safety Code will be followed in lieu of the building codes.
- C. Federally owned buildings are generally exempt from local codes, but not from local zoning. However, it is GSA's policy to follow local codes where this does not create a conflict with other criteria, regulations or project administration. The CMc shall obtain and become familiar with all local codes.

The design will comply with the maximum extent practicable with other Handbooks and Codes as referenced or any active ordinances currently enforced by the local Government.

1.3. Design Guides

The following references are being used by the design team in developing the design and the contents of the submittals.

- A. Value Engineering Program Guide for Design and Construction, PBS-PQ251, Volume 2, Contracting Officers and Professional Services Contractors, dated October, 1993.
- B. Vulnerability Assessment of Federal Buildings dated June 28, 1995.
- C. The GSA Building Commissioning Guide
- D. The GSA Public Buildings Service Pricing Guide, dated March 2002

2.1. A-E Contract

The project will be designed by Lead Architect Helix Architecture & Design, Kansas City, Missouri, who is currently under contract with the GSA.

2.2 Tenants

Office space in Phase IV will be provided for the tenants listed in the attached housing plan. Preliminary programming requirements for the building are included herein. Minor modifications and refinements to this tenant distribution are expected during the programming/design concept phases and will not be considered justification for equitable adjustments to this contract.

2.2. References

Government issuances (handbooks, guidelines, regulations, etc.) referenced in this RFP will be provided to the successful offeror on compact disc (CD). Referenced private sector issuances (codes, standards, guidelines, etc.) shall be obtained by the Offeror at no cost to the Government. Volume 3 contains a summary listing of referenced documents for this project.

2.3. Tenant Cost Monitoring

2.5.1. The tenants within this new building will be charged rent by GSA, based upon the actual costs of the build-out of their individual areas. Therefore, CMC shall obtain separate pricing for the construction cost of each tenant's space. The guidelines for defining base building costs versus tenant improvement build-out cost will be provided after award of this contract. The base building and tenant build-out costs are included with the CMC ceiling price.

Housing Plan RICHARD BOLLING FB

Locations	Current									Propos	od.			
	Perso	onnel	U.	sable Squa	re Feet (U.	SF)	RSF	Perso	onnel	U		re Feet (U	SF)	RSF
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Total
<u>LEASE</u>										31220	Storage	Special	10141	10141
Labor	273	273	99,632	0	0	99,632	116,462	0	0	0	0	0		
Sub Total:	273	273	99,632	0	0	99,632	116,462	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 0
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Агту	10	10	1,701	0	0	1,701	2,270	10	10	1,701	0	0	1,701	2,270
Army - Corps of Engineers	818	818	101,992	461	3,862	106,315	141,890	818	818	101,992	461	3,862	106,315	141,890
Commerce - NOAA	161	161	21,602	553	741	22,896	30,558	161	161	21,602	553	741	22,896	30,558
Defense	7	7	3,614	0	0	3,614	4,823	7	7	3,614	0.	7.12	3,614	4,823
DHS - Federal Protective Service	9	9	11,024	560	2,626	14,210	18,965	9	9	11.024	560	2,626	14,210	18,965
GSA	22	22	10,671	0	0	10,671	14,242	22	22	10,671	0	2,020	10,671	14,242
HHS	166	166	82,098	0	1,922	84,020	112,135	166	166	82,098	0	1,922	84,020	112,135
Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	273	273	99,632	0	0	99,632	132,971
ОРМ	33	33	5,392	496	0	5,888	7.858	33	33	5,392	496	0	5,888	7,858
Outlease	2	2	1,070	0	0	1,070	1,428	2	2	1,070	0	0	1,070	1,428
RRB	14	14	1,984	0	0	1,984	2,648	14	14	1,984	0	0	1,984	2,648
SSA	3,155	3,155	362,206	1,586	26,138	389,930	520,410	3,155	3,155	362,206	1,586	26,138	389,930	520,409
USPS	37	37	2,768	1,053	0	3,821	5,100	37	37	2,768	1,053	20,138	3,821	
Joint Use	8	8	27,289	4,318	33,298	64,905	86,624	8	8	11,107	4,318	33,298	48.723	5,100 65,027
Vacant	. 0	0	83,450	0	0	83,450	111,374	0	0	0	4,510	33,298	40,723	03,027
Sub Total:	4,442	4,442	716,861	9,027	68,587	794,475	1,060,325	4,715	4,715	716,861	9,027	68,587	704 475	1.060.224
Total:	4,715	4,715	816,493	9,027	68,587	894,107	1,176,787	4,715	4,715	716,861	9,027	68,587	794,475 794,475	1,060,324 1,060,324

Utilization						
,	Current	Proposed	Change			
Rate	100	100	0			

Current UR excludes 148,902 USF of office support Proposed UR excludes 148,902 USF of office support

Special Space		
ADP	15,373	
Child Care	4,656	
Conference	19,824	
Fitness	825	
Food Service	21,352	
Health Unit	5,307	
Laboratory	123	
Vault Storage	1,127	
Total:	68,587	